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The search for Flight 2501 continues

Discovery Channel show airs next week featuring search for doomed 1950 airliner

By KIM INGALLS
HP Correspondent

SOUTH HAVEN — Set your DVRs for 8 p.m. next Wednesday, as Discovery Channel's "Expedition Unknown" host Josh Gates explores one of Lake Michigan's greatest mysteries – the disappearance of Northwest Airlines Flight 2501. The three-hour episode is called "The Vanished Airliner."

Gates and his film crew came to South Haven late last summer to learn more about the airplane that vanished into the depths of the Big Lake on the night of June 23, 1950. The DC-4 prop plane was carrying 55 passengers and a three-person crew. As they approached Lake Michigan around midnight, a powerful line of squalls loomed ahead causing three other westbound flights to turn around. Near Benton Harbor, the pilot requested to lower the plane's altitude, but was denied. That was the last transmission received.

At the time, the loss of the flight was the deadliest commercial airliner accident in U.S. history.

Initially the search focused near Milwaukee, but then search parties discovered blankets with the Northwest logo, cushions and human remains about 10 miles offshore from South Haven. The plane, on a cross country flight from New York to Seattle with a couple of planned stops, was never found.

Searchers scoured the area for five days, with beaches from South Haven to Benton Harbor temporarily closed because so many body parts were washing up on shore. Flight 2501 is one of three commercial airliners to crash into the Great Lakes.

Intrigued with the ongoing mystery, Gates came to South Haven last August to film the show and meet with Holland author Valerie van Heest of the Michigan Shipwreck Research Association (MSRA), who wrote the book "Fatal Crossing" about the group's efforts to locate the wreckage.

"Josh was fascinated to learn that 70 years after the accident, the wreckage still had not been found," said van Heest, "and that the story was not well known." For the filming of the show, Gates, van Heest and the MSRA team used state-of-the-art equipment to search.

Viewers will recognize a variety of area locations where the episode was shot, including South Haven's South Beach, its downtown, and Lakeview Cemetery.

Gates even spent an

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A memorial service for victims of Northwest Flight 2501, which crashed into Lake Michigan on June 23, 1950, is held in 2008 at Riverview Cemetery in St. Joseph. The service included the placement of a black granite marker engraved with the names of the 58 victims. There are cemetery memorials in St. Joseph and in South Haven for the victims.
Don Campbell / HP file photo

Pretty in pink

Don Campbell / HP staff

A bike remains at rest Thursday along Harrison Avenue in St. Joseph after a mild winter storm blew threw, dropping something rarely seen in Southwest Michigan this winter: snow.

BERRIEN COUNTY

Passions are high surrounding gun debate

Residents pack board chambers for discussion of 2nd Amendment resolution

By JOHN MATUSZAK
HP Staff Writer

ST. JOSEPH — A standing-room only crowd, that spilled out into the hallway of the Berrien County commissioners' chambers, on Thursday voiced opinions both pro and con on a proposal to declare a "sanctuary county" affirming Second Amendment rights to own guns.

"The only way to stop a bad guy with a gun is a good guy with a gun," declared Jack Straszewski, of Niles, part of the Michigan for 2A Sanctuary Counties, which presented a resolution last month to commissioners that "affirmed an individual's right to possess a firearm, unconnected with service in a militia, and to use that firearm for traditionally lawful purposes, such as self-defense within the home."

Others were deeply concerned about the resolution and its ramifications.

Harold Bragg, a retired history teacher, said he doesn't want to take away anyone's guns, but added "The concept of sanctuary frightens me" because more guns could mean more violence. "We have more guns than anywhere on the face of the earth."

Further illustrating the public interest in the issue, it took Clerk Sharon Tyler 15 minutes to read the names of those who had sent correspondence on the resolution in the last two weeks.

A draft being considered by commissioners significantly alters the resolution

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Lincoln Township closes beach due to extensive erosion

Parking lot damaged by waves, water

By TONY WITTKOWSKI
HP Staff Writer

STEVENSVILLE — It's been four months since Lincoln Township Beach was closed to the public earlier than expected.

The reason for doing so? Erosion.

Erosion has become a hot topic among Southwest Michigan residents and – more specifically – beachfront property owners. Rising water levels have been an ongoing issue in Michigan, with the high water levels and storms causing beach erosion, flooding and damage to sea walls and roads.

Supervisor Dick Stauffer said about 100 feet of the beach has disappeared under Lake Michigan. He said they noticed the beach began to lose ground last June.

Don Campbell / HP file photo

Erosion has caused significant damage to Lincoln Township Beach, shown here last July. Officials have now announced that the park will be closed indefinitely, and that the parking lot there has suffered significant damage.

"It's a heartbreaking situation," Stauffer said. "We lost the only beach in Lincoln Township. "We kept watching it and watching it. And it just kept getting worse and worse. It's a depressing situation to see your beach close."

Not only did the beach vanish, but so did a portion of the parking lot.

Stauffer said workers were forced to put logs up as a sort of barricade to keep people from accidentally driving over the edge.

Since the majority of the parking lot has been submerged, they've had to lock the park up altogether.

Stauffer said the parking lot has a gravel and sand base, and he doesn't know how much damage the lot sustained as a result of the excess water.

"There was too much erosion down there. The boardwalk we had had to be removed," Stauffer said. "The erosion continued into the parking lot to the point where you can't turn around. People were still going down there and it became a dangerous situation."

To enlarge the parking lot would require moving to the east of the shoreline and removing some of the dune behind it.

Stauffer said the township normally closes the beach over the winter months because it can be hard to get back there during a heavy snowfall. However, he said they've never had to close it in the fall like they did this past year.

The township's other beach, Glenlord Park, was turned into a lookout point a number of years ago after that beach succumbed to elevated lake levels.

Luckily, township officials said Glenlord Park will be kept safe with an extension of the revetment wall.

As for Lincoln Township Beach, Stauffer said it will have to remain closed until the water recedes. And so far there is no end in sight.

"If I knew when that lake would go down I would tell you, but I have no idea," Stauffer said. "We would like to open it up this coming spring, but that's not likely going to happen."

According to the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, water levels on the Great Lakes are now much higher than average, setting new high-water records for January on three of the Great Lakes.

The mean water level for the month topped the all-time January record for lakes Huron, Michigan and Superior. Erie and Ontario did not break any records in January, but their water levels were still significantly above average for the month.

"I wish it was a day-to-day situation, but it's a month-to-month situation to see what's going on over there," Stauffer said. "It's a shame because residents have enjoyed Lincoln Township Beach for years and years."

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DHS cuts New Yorkers off from 'trusted traveler' programs

By BEN FOX
Associated Press

WASHINGTON — New York residents will be cut off from "trusted traveler" programs that speed their re-entry into the country, a senior Homeland Security official said Thursday, blaming a new state law that prohibits immigration agents from accessing motor vehicle records.

Tens of thousands of New Yorkers will face the inconvenience of slower re-entry because of a law that acting Department of Homeland Security Secretary Ken Cuccinelli says puts public safety at risk by preventing federal agents from quickly accessing vehicle and criminal records.

"I know other states are looking at laws like this," Cuccinelli said. "We would urge them to reconsider."

The decision to freeze New Yorkers' access to Global Entry and three other programs, which the New York governor dismissed as "extortion," reflects an escalation of the conflict between President Donald Trump and states and cities that have declared themselves sanctuaries for immigrants in the country without legal authorization.

New York's "Green Light" law, which went into effect in December, allows people to get a driver's license even if they don't have legal residency in the United States. It includes a provision prohibiting the Department of Motor Vehicles from providing any data to entities that enforce immigration law unless a judge orders it to do so.

Kathy Willens / AP

The Department of Homeland Security says New York residents will be cut off from 'trusted traveler' programs because of a state law that prevents immigration officials from accessing motor vehicle records. Acting Deputy DHS Secretary Ken Cuccinelli says tens of thousands of New Yorkers will be inconvenienced by the action.

LOTTERIES

Thursday drawings

Michigan
Poker Lotto
JC-7C-5D-2H-4H
Midday Daily 3
3-5-9
Midday Daily 4
2-4-5-6
Daily 3
6-8-9
Daily 4
2-4-6-9
Fantasy 5
06-11-19-23-26
Keno
04-06-07-18-24-27-28-29-41-42-44-47-51-55-58-60-64-70-71-74-78-79
Mega Millions
Jackpot: $187 million
Powerball
Jackpot: $60 million

Wednesday drawings

Michigan
Powerball
23-30-35-41-57, Powerball: 2, Power Play: 3
Indiana
Cash 5
03-04-18-26-31
Estimated jackpot: $120,000
Cash4Life
08-18-20-22-28, Cash Ball: 4
Quick Draw Midday
02-13-16-18-19-25-27-31-33-34-37-48-54-57-61-66-67-70-72-79, BE: 54
Daily Three-Midday
9-6-2, SB: 2
Daily Three-Evening
7-1-6, SB: 0
Daily Four-Midday
2-9-1-0, SB: 2
Daily Four-Evening
2-8-9-4, SB: 0
Quick Draw Evening
03-04-08-10-14-17-20-21-26-29-36-39-48-52-53-59-66-75-79-80, BE: 52
Mega Millions
32-48-50-51-64, Mega Ball: 10, Megaplier: 2
Estimated jackpot: $168 million
Powerball
Estimated jackpot: $50 million
Illinois
LuckyDay Lotto Midday
06-26-27-36-38
Pick Three-Midday
1-7-5, Fireball: 5
Pick Three-Evening
3-9-9, Fireball: 8
Pick Four-Midday
5-1-2-5, Fireball: 1
Pick Four-Evening
7-1-7-6, Fireball: 3
Lucky Day Lotto
17-20-24-28-40

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Harvey Weinstein leaves a Manhattan courtroom during his rape trial in New York on Thursday.

Prosecution rests, defense gets turn at Weinstein rape trial

By MICHAEL R. SISAK and TOM HAYS
Associated Press

NEW YORK — Prosecutors in Harvey Weinstein's rape trial rested their case Thursday after more than two weeks of testimony punctuated by harrowing accounts from six women, including some who said he ignored pleas of "no, no, no" and justified his behavior as the cost of getting ahead in Hollywood.

Now Weinstein's lawyers are calling witnesses of their own as the landmark celebrity trial moves one step closer to a verdict. They haven't said whether Weinstein himself will testify. Doing so could bring big risks because prosecutors would be able to grill him about each of the allegations that jurors have already heard about in vivid detail.

When the prosecution rested, Weinstein attorney Donna Rotunno immediately asked the judge to dismiss the case, arguing that testimony from the woman he is charged with raping "does not in any way show a forcible act by Mr. Weinstein." The judge rejected the request.

The defense's first witness, an industry executive who remains a Weinstein ally, seemed blindsided when a prosecutor confronted him with text messages that appeared to justify the movie mogul's behavior and bash his accusers.

Paul Feldsher, a former agent who once knew accuser Annabella Sciorra, scolded Weinstein in November 2018 for "behaving like a cad." But in another message read to the jury, he stuck up for Weinstein, telling him: "I think the dog pile of actresses who are suddenly brave and recalling repressed memories are hideous."

On Friday, the defense is expected to call is a psychologist who specializes in memory. The defense is looking to raise doubts about the women's recollections of encounters that in some cases are more than a decade or two old.

The criminal charges at the trial in New York City are based on two allegations: that Weinstein raped a woman in March 2013 and that he forced oral sex on another woman in 2006. The allegations against Weinstein helped fuel the #MeToo movement. If convicted, he could spend the rest of his life in prison.

Weinstein, 67, maintains that any sexual encounters were consensual but taking the witness stand to say so could be risky.

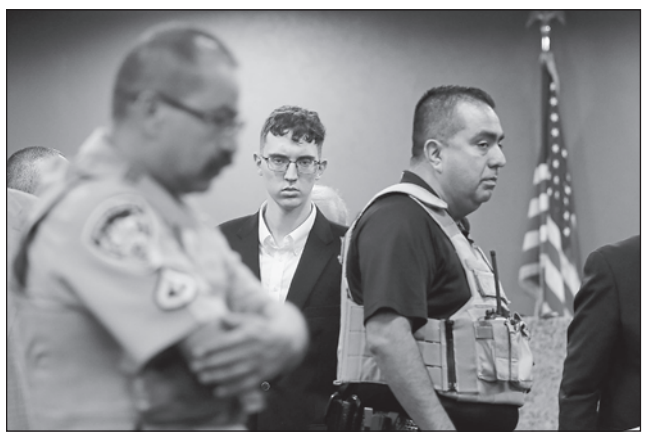
"I tell my clients once you take the stand you have lost your shield, which is me, and you are on your own," said defense lawyer Brian McMonagle, who helped secure a mistrial in Bill Cosby's first sexual assault trial in 2017. Cosby was later convicted.

"In my experience as a prosecutor and defense attorney, it is rare to see a client take the stand," he said. "The problem is that some jurors do hold that against you."

In addition to the two main accusers, other women have been allowed to testify in the New York case as prosecutors attempt to show there was a practiced method to Weinstein's attacks, including inviting women to his hotel room to discuss business, then disrobing and demanding sexual favors.

Prosecutors ended their case after the last of those other accusers finished telling jurors about about an encounter with Weinstein in 2013.

Lauren Marie Young, a model from suburban Philadelphia, testified that Weinstein invited her to his Beverly Hills hotel room, lured her to the bathroom, stripped off his clothes, pulled down her dress and groped her breast. Her allegation is part of a criminal case that was filed against Weinstein in California just as this trial was getting underway.



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El Paso Walmart shooting suspect Patrick Crusius pleads not guilty during his arraignment in El Paso, Texas on Oct. 10, 2019. The government has filed hate crime charges against Crusius, who said he was targeting Mexicans and shot to death 22 people at a Walmart store in El Paso, Texas, last summer, a person familiar with the matter told The Associated Press.

Walmart shooting suspect charged with federal hate crimes

By MICHAEL BALSAMO and CEDAR ATTANASIO
Associated Press

WASHINGTON — The man accused of killing 22 people and wounding two dozen more in a shooting that targeted Mexicans in the border city of El Paso, Texas, has been charged with federal hate crimes.

Patrick Crusius, 21, has been charged with 90 counts under federal hate crime and firearms laws for his role in the Aug. 3 shooting that authorities said was aimed at scaring Hispanics into leaving the United States, according to an indictment unsealed Thursday.

Federal prosecutors announced the charges against Crusius of Allen, Texas, at a Thursday news conference in El Paso. The Department of Justice will consult with the defense and victims' families before deciding if they will pursue a death penalty. Ultimately, the decision is up to Attorney General William Barr.

The DOJ will prosecute on a parallel track with state officials. Crusius faces the death penalty on a state capital murder charge to which he pleaded not guilty last year.

The shooting happened at a time when immigration officials were trying to manage a crush of migrants at the U.S.-Mexico border and there was political battle over their treatment. El Paso was the epicenter of the influx. President Donald Trump has made cracking down on immigration a hallmark of his administration and the polarizing topic makes headlines around the world.

Eight Mexican nationals were among the victims, and the indictment accuses Crusius of targeting people because of their "actual and perceived national origin." The Walmart store is popular with shoppers from nearby Ciudad Juarez, Mexico, just on the other side of the Rio Grande from El Paso.

Neighbor uses crossbow to save man from dogs, but kills him

ADAMS, Mass. (AP) — A man was shot and killed in his apartment by a crossbow bolt that a neighbor had fired at dogs who were attacking the man, authorities in Massachusetts said.

The death Wednesday afternoon in Adams appears to be accidental, according to Berkshire District Attorney Andrea Harrington.

The neighbor heard a commotion and the victim, who was a friend, shouting for help just after noon, authorities said.

The neighbor made his way into the apartment, then returned to his own unit to get the crossbow, which he was licensed to own and used for hunting, Harrington said at a news conference Thursday.

He stood at the bottom of a stairwell and fired up at a dog on the landing, she said. The bolt struck the dog with a glancing blow, went through the door and hit the man in the room where he was trying to barricade himself, Harrington said.

A young girl in another room was unharmed.

One of the dogs belonged to the man who died, she said. The other belonged to his girlfriend, who also lived in the home.

Elizabeth Smart says she was sexually assaulted on flight

SALT LAKE CITY (AP) — Utah kidnapping and rape survivor Elizabeth Smart said Thursday that she was sexually assaulted on an airplane last year while she was sleeping.

Smart, now a 32-year-old mother of three, referenced her kidnapping from her Salt Lake City home in 2002 in describing her reaction to the attack to "CBS News This Morning."

She said she was asleep during a flight when the man next to her began rubbing her inner thigh with his hand.

"The last time someone touched me without my say-so was when I was kidnapped, and I froze," she said.

She said the man said nothing. Smart later reported the attack to authorities and said she wants to prevent the man from preying on others.

Smart's spokesman, Chris Thomas, said Thursday the attack happened July 19 on a Delta Air Lines flight from Philadelphia to Atlanta.

He said it's being investigated by the FBI and Delta.

"I called up my husband and I was like, 'Do I just have a big badge on my forehead that says 'Easy Prey' or 'Victim?'" Smart told CBS. "Because I'm sick of it."

Smart wasn't available for an interview Thursday, Thomas said.

In 2002, Smart was held captive and repeatedly sexually assaulted for nine months before she was rescued. After last year's flight, she said she began training in self-defense, and now runs a program to train other women and girls.

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Appeal denied in BH murder case

State's high court won't hear appeal for Obar Ellis

By JULIE SWIDWA
HP Staff Writer

ELLIS

LANSING — The Michigan Supreme Court has decided not to take a look at a Berrien County man's case after the state Court of Appeals affirmed his conviction.

The Supreme Court declined to hear an appeal by Obar Ellis of Benton harbor, who is serving a 40-90 year prison sentence for the 2010 killing of another man outside Smoke's Lounge. Anthony Campbell, 40, was fatally shot outside the bar on Fair Avenue after the 2 a.m. closing time on June 13, 2010.

Ellis grew up in Benton Harbor and had been living in New York state when he shot Campbell while on a visit home. During his trial in 2011, witnesses provided inconsistent testimony about what happened. Ellis claimed he shot in self-defense because Campbell was attacking him with a crow bar.

But a Berrien County Trial Court jury did not buy his claim of self-defense and found him guilty of second-degree murder and possession of a firearm while committing a felony. As a repeat offender with four prior felony convictions, Ellis was sentenced to 40-90 years for the murder and a consecutive 2-year term for felony firearms.

The Michigan Court of Appeals earlier rejected a number of claims by Ellis, 44, among them that the prosecution failed to present sufficient evidence to prove that Ellis was not acting in self-defense when he shot Campbell.

In rejecting Ellis' claim of insufficient evidence to prove that he was not acting in self-defense, a three-member appeals panel said in its opinion that witness testimony, if believed by jurors, and inferences drawn from the testimony, contradicted Ellis' assertion that he had to use deadly force to prevent his own death.

One witness testified at trial that Ellis, though attacked by Campbell, left the scene, returned with a gun and shot Campbell. Another witness testified that Ellis chased Campbell and shot as he tried to find cover.

Denying Ellis's appeal to the higher court, in a Feb. 4 ruling the Michigan Supreme Court wrote that "the defendant has failed to meet the burden of establishing entitlement to relief under MCR 6.508(D)."

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Snowy walk

Don Campbell / HP staff

A man and his dog stroll along Broad Street, below the bluff in downtown St. Joseph on Thursday after a mild winter storm moved through the area the night before.

Market Van Buren touts recent summit

By HP STAFF

PAW PAW — It was a day of education and a call to action Tuesday when more than 60 leaders from 20 communities in Van Buren County gathered to discuss economic development.

Market Van Buren's first-ever Local Unit of Government Summit covered pressing topics affecting rural communities, such as rural high-speed internet, community development tool and the importance of local government in economic development. Participants also heard legislative update from state governmental leaders.

"With 80 miles of major infrastructure, more than 300 inland lakes and ponds, affordable cost of living, and over 14 miles of Lake Michigan Shoreline, this county has much to offer," Market Van Buren Executive Director Zachary Morris said. "Developing our communities, industrial sites and establishing high-speed internet can help with attracting talented people and growing businesses here, but these are things that none of us can do alone. All of us play an important role in advancing this county and I'm excited to see what

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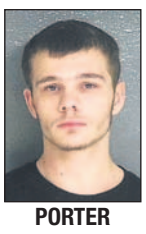
HARTFORD

Police catch man after car chase through farm fields

By HP STAFF

HARTFORD — A Hartford man who police say drove through farm fields in an attempt to flee from deputies earlier this week faces a myriad of charges, while his female passenger was taken to a hospital for treatment after police said she ingested methamphetamine.


PORTER

Police said the car chase began around 12:30 p.m., Wednesday, when Van Buren County sheriff's deputies stopped a Ford Explorer, driven by 19-year-old Chase Porter, at the intersection of 62nd Street and County Road 687 in Hartford Township.

However, Porter and the woman, 26, left the scene and drove into a corn field near 68th Avenue and 62nd Street, according to a sheriff's department news release.

Deputies say they visually tracked the vehicle until it left the corn field and entered a horse pasture. The vehicle crashed through the pasture gate and entered back onto 68th Avenue and then headed north on 62nd Street, where it turned into a yard and crashed behind a house.

But the chase didn't end there. The suspect driver got out of the vehicle and ran into the house, while the female passenger was taken into custody after a short struggle with a deputy, according to police.

Deputies say they then surrounded the house with help from Hartford Police Department and Michigan State Police. Deputies then called Porter, who had a fugitive warrant for his arrest, out of the house, and he then surrendered without incident.

The Van Buren Narcotics unit conducted a search of the residence after speaking with the homeowner, who knew the suspect. Detectives say they searched the residence and located several bags of methamphetamine and related paraphernalia. The woman told police that during the chase she ingested a few grams of methamphetamine and wanted to let deputies know because she was concerned for her safety, police said.

An ambulance was called to the scene where she was turned over to medical staff and transported to the hospital for treatment, while Porter was arrested and later charged with fleeing and eluding, resisting and obstructing, possession of meth, plus the fugitive warrant.

The woman passenger may also face criminal charges, police noted.

Photo provided

Hanson Theatre, inside Lake Michigan College's Mendel Center, recently underwent about $600,000 in renovations. A rededication is set for 3:30 p.m. Feb. 16.

LMC's Hanson Theatre to be rededicated Feb. 16

Faculty recital to follow; events are free

By ALEXANDRA NEWMAN
HP Staff Writer

BENTON TOWNSHIP — Lake Michigan College's Hanson Theatre is ready to show off its facelift.

The Lake Michigan College Visual and Performing Arts Department will host a rededication ceremony for the theater at 3:30 p.m. Sunday, Feb. 16, according to a news release.

More than $600,000 in improvements were recently made to the theater that was first dedicated in 1991. A gift from the Hanson Family Foundation and Merlin and Carolyn Hanson, for which the venue is named, helped fund the improvements.

The rededication ceremony will include a ribbon cutting led by LMC President Trevor Kubatzke, the LMC Board of Trustees, and the Visual and Performing Arts Department, including a performance by LMC's a cappella group, Soundwaves.

The Hanson Theatre, inside the Mendel Center, accommodates up to 234 guests. It is the primary performance space for the college's choral, instrumental and theater students. It also plays host to the college's annual Living Room Series. Community organizations use it for events like dance recitals,

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Benton Twp. moves forward on water, sewer bonds

By TONY WITTKOWSKI
HP Staff Writer

BENTON TOWNSHIP — Benton Township is looking for more assistance in rebuilding its aging water and sewer systems.

Trustees approved two bonds – one for water projects and another for sewer infrastructure projects – that would provide millions in funding.

By approving the sanitary sewer system improvements bonding resolution, the township expects to create $5 million in funding.

Subsequently, the water system improvements bonding resolution would provide the township $4.5 million in funding.

"This is the first step in starting on the improvements necessary to the systems as determined by Prein & Newhof in their reports they've been providing to the board from time to time," Clerk Carolyn Phillips said.

Dickinson Wright PLLC was brought on as counsel to the township to prepare the documents for the issuance of the bonds.

The township's choice to issue the bonds comes after trustees agreed to raise water and sewer rates in December.

Trustees voted for a one-time sewer rate increase of 15 percent in 2020, plus a 4.5 percent increase each year from 2021 through 2029.

The rate increase is expected to take the average sewer bill from $29 to $33.35 per month in 2020.

For water rates, the board approved a one-time increase of 15.25 percent in 2020, plus a 4.5 percent increase each year from 2021 through 2025.

The increase is projected to raise the average water bill from about $6.19 to $7.13 a month.

The sewer rate increase began Jan. 1 and the water rate increase started Jan. 15.

At a November workshop session, the board sat through a handful of presentations concerning a 20-year capital improvement plan that would address some extensive water infrastructure projects, from water mains to storage tanks.

Prein & Newhof gave a synopsis of the problems the township's water and sewer systems face.

Under the 20-year capital improvements plan that Prein & Newhof assembled, the township is looking at $46 million in potential water main replacements, $18 million in intake and raw water pumping improvements, $5 million in storage improvements and $3 million in treatment plant improvements.

Phillips said these costs are the reason the township has to seek multiple avenues to pay for the upcoming projects.

The new rates are the culmination of three years worth of research and a water system reliability study that Prein & Newhof was hired to complete.

The study includes an analysis and set of recommendations the township can make over time in terms of capital improvements to keep the water system in good health.

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IN BRIEF

Rep. Griffin announces February office hours

State Rep. Beth Griffin, R-Mattawan, announced she will be available Monday to hear the issues and concerns of those in her community.

"We have had great success since being back in Lansing," Griffin said in a news release. "In order for us to build on our success, it's important to keep the channels of communication open."

Griffin will be available on Monday at the following times and locations: 10-11 a.m. at Decatur Village Hall, 114 N. Phelps St. in Decatur; 11:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m. at Hartford City Hall, 19 W. Main St. in Hartford.

Upton Foundation announces spring grant deadline

ST. JOSEPH — The next grant deadline for the Frederick S. Upton Foundation is March 15, according to a news release.

All grant materials submitted must be postmarked or delivered in person by this date to the Berrien Community Foundation at 2900 South State Street Suite 2E, St. Joseph, MI to be considered during this grant cycle.

The foundation considers grant requests from a wide variety of nonprofit organization but focuses its efforts in Berrien County. Agencies are eligible to receive one grant per calendar year.

For additional information or to receive a grant application, contact the Foundation at 269-983-3304, or email uptonfoundation@berriencommunity.org. You must contact the foundation to obtain the most recent grant application prior to applying.

Rep. Wendzel to host tax open house

State Rep. Pauline Wendzel, R-Watervliet, has announced plans to host a tax open house for community members to ask local experts questions ahead of April's tax deadline, according to a news release.

Rep. Wendzel is partnering with Hungerford Nichols CPA+ Advisors to host this event.

"With tax season right around the corner, I wanted to connect our residents with some tools and resources in our community to make filing their taxes less stressful," Rep. Wendzel said in the release. "I asked Hungerford Nichols if they would be willing to volunteer some of their time to help out our residents, and they didn't hesitate." Wendzel continued. "It's wonderful that we have professionals in our community that are able and willing to lend a hand to their neighbors."

The event will from 10 a.m.-noon on Saturday, Feb. 29 at Lincoln Township Hall, 2055 W John Beers Road in Stevensville. Wendzel will provide taxpayer guides that include the most common forms for citizens filing their 2019 taxes. Accountants from Hungerford Nichols CPAs + Advisors will be available to answer any questions and assist with filling out forms.

"I'm looking forward to this event and hope that anyone who may have questions on their taxes will stop in to get the answers they need," Wendzel said.

Abbott nominated for Sheriff of the Year award

PAW PAW — Van Buren County Sheriff Daniel Abbott may be coming home with a national award next week from the National Sheriff's Association's winter conference, according to a news release.

Abbott has been nominated for the group's Sheriff of the Year.

The national award recognizes an active sheriff who can demonstrate their accomplishment not only in their office, but in the community.

"Just being nominated is an unbelievable and humble feeling," Abbott said. "I am the luckiest sheriff in the state being able to serve the citizens in Van Buren County."

Since being voted in as sheriff in 2016, Abbott and his department have increased the number of K9 units from three to four teams, added aerial drones to assist with search and rescue efforts, increased the number of drug felony arrests, achieved a "no kill" status with the Animal Control Unit, increased involvement with area schools, and made an agreement to have the Forgotten Man Ministries minister to county jail inmates, the release noted.

Factory farms provide abundant food, but environment suffers

By JOHN FLESHER
AP Environmental Writer

Charlie Neibergall

Hogs rest in a pen in a concentrated animal feeding operation, or CAFO, on the Gary Sovereign farm, in Lawler, Iowa in 2018.

AKRON, Iowa — In recent years, Fred Zenk built two barns housing about 2,400 hogs between them – long, white, concrete-and-metal structures that are ubiquitous in the Midwestern countryside.

The Iowa farmer didn't follow state requirements to get construction approval and file a manure disposal plan. But Zenk's operation initially flew under the radar of regulators, as have many others across the United States because of loopholes and spotty enforcement of laws intended to keep the nation's air and water clean.

Beef, chicken and pork have become more affordable staples in the American diet thanks to industry consolidation and the rise of farms with tens of thousands of animals. Yet federal and state environmental agencies often lack basic information such as where they're located, how many animals they're raising and how they deal with manure.

The animals and their waste have fouled waters. The enclosures spew air pollutants that promote climate change and are implicated in illnesses such as asthma. The stench of manure – stored in pits beneath barns or open-air lagoons and eventually spread on croplands as fertilizer – can make life miserable for people nearby.

For most of the nation's history, meat and dairy products came from independent farms that raised animals in barnyards, pastures and rangeland. But the system now is controlled by giant companies that contract with farmers to produce livestock with the efficiency of auto assembly lines inside warehouse-like barns and sprawling feedlots.

The spread of corporate animal farms is turning neighbor against neighbor in town halls and courtrooms. Iowa, the top U.S. producer of swine and egg-laying chickens, has been a major battleground.

"It's a fight for survival," said Chris Petersen, who still raises pigs in outdoor pens.

Michele Merkel, a former EPA attorney who quit over the agency's reluctance to punish polluting mega-farms and is co-director of the advocacy group Food & Water Justice, said the industry "has avoided any effective regulation and accountability for a long time."

Industry groups say there are plenty of regulations and livestock agriculture is simply adapting to improved technology, equipment and methods.

"We're responding to what the market is giving us," said Brady Reicks, whose company runs numerous large hog structures in northeastern Iowa. "We're doing it responsibly; we're passionate about doing it. It increases growth in rural Iowa and it helps feed the world."

The U.S. Environmental Protection Agency began to count the nation's factory farms during the Obama administration but retreated when industry groups sued. Instead, the agency uses state data to produce annual statistics about only the biggest operations.

As of 2018, the nationwide EPA tally was about 20,300 – a roughly five-fold increase over nearly four decades.

Yet it's a tiny fraction of all confined animal operations. The U.S. Department of Agriculture estimates there are more than 450,000, most too small for inclusion in the EPA count.

Iowa has 80 million farm animals and 3 million people. Yet in 2017, regulators didn't know how many livestock farms were in the state. Under federal pressure, the Department of Natural Resources pored over aerial photos, discovering 4,200 previously unknown facilities.

Zenk's Plymouth County farm was among them.

"We knew nothing about his operation," said Sheila Kenny, an environmental specialist with the state agency.

Zenk acknowledged breaking the rules but said no harm was done. He paid a $4,500 fine.

"You think you can get by with something once in a while and you can't," he said, strolling among his barns, tractor and feed bins.

To state regulators, such discoveries mean the system works. Critics say the Iowa experience shows how easily livestock operations can escape detection.

Putting thousands of animals in one enclosure produces huge amounts of manure. Unlike human sewage, which is treated and released to waterways, animal waste is stored, then spread on croplands as fertilizer.

Farmers insist they are careful.

"We take soil tests, we decide how much manure it needs and that's how much we apply," Reicks said.

Environmental groups say fields often can't handle the volumes of manure produced, leading to runoff. Such pollution is exempt from regulation under the 1972 Clean Water Act, even though agriculture is the biggest contaminator of rivers and streams, according to the EPA.

In Emmett County, Iowa, small farmer Gordon Garrison sued a nearby operation with 4,400 hogs, contending manure from its croplands fouls a creek that runs through his property and feeds the Des Moines River.

"They're using me for a waste disposal site," Garrison said.

Livestock farms generate about 70 percent of the nation's ammonia emissions, plus gases that cause global warming, particularly methane.

Yet they aren't required to get permits under the Clean Air Act. The government hasn't decided how to measure emissions from barns, feedlots, storage lagoons and croplands.

And under President Donald Trump, EPA has exempted livestock operations from requirements under other laws that industries report significant releases of air pollutants including ammonia and hydrogen sulfide.

Critics say yesteryear's barnyard whiffs were nothing like the overpowering stench from today's supersized operations.

"You don't want to be anywhere near them," said Brad Trom, a crop producer in Minnesota's Dodge County, who lives within three miles of 11 structures housing 30,000 swine. He says he's been staggered by powerful odors barreling across his fields.

Farmers say they're trying to reduce the smells but contend they're a normal part of country life.

"I've never lived on a farm that didn't have nature's fragrances on it," said Gary Sovereign, a swine producer in Iowa's Howard County.

Research has linked proximity to factory farms to various health risks. But scientists acknowledge it's nearly impossible to pin someone's illness on a certain polluter.

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talent showcases, variety shows and comedy nights.

"We are elated about the theater renovation," said Kristopher Zook, LMC's visual and performing arts chair, in the release. "It is wonderful to have the support of the Hanson family, the college administration and the community as our Visual and Performing Arts program continues to grow and flourish. The improvements made to the Hanson Theatre will enable our students to develop as performing artists and hone their skills toward their future aspirations."

The renovations included upgrades to both the look and functionality of the theater, according to the release. In addition to visible changes such as new paint, carpet, seating and curtains, the renovations include upgrades to the electrical and internet infrastructure, new rigging and catwalks, new light and sound boards, and a variety of acoustic and other sound improvements.

Following the ceremony, LMC faculty will hold a recital in which they will showcase a mix of vocal and instrumental music.

This first performance in the renovated theater will include Robert Lunn on guitar, Donald Savoie on a variety of instruments, Daniel Lopez on trumpet, Marc Churchill on percussion, Gabrielle Smith and James Kraus on piano, Penny Kohns on flute, Meg Rodgers on harp as well as the vocal talents of both Zook and Paul Mow.

Both events are free and open to the public.

For more information, visit www.lakemichigancollege.edu/arts or call 927-8876.

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2020 holds."

Guest speakers included Al Pscholka, former state budget director and House Appropriations chairman; district staff from state Sen. Aric Nesbitt's and state Rep. Beth Griffin's offices, and Michelle Parkkonen, director of technical assistance programs with the Michigan Economic Development Corp.

Panelists included leaders from Midwest Energy Corp., Bloomingdale Communications, Comcast, Antero Group, Market Van Buren and Kinexus Group.

"As we look at our strategic plan for the coming year, we can see there are certain things that we simply cannot accomplish without local government," said Market Van Buren Chairman Tom Stanek. "The Annual Economic Development Summit is designed to bring leaders together to learn about economic development tools that can impact the people, businesses and communities in Van Buren County."

Market Van Buren, a subsidiary of Kinexus Group, is an economic development organization dedicated to the advancement of economic growth in Van Buren County. The organization was formed to bring the public and private sectors together to advance the economic interests of Van Buren county. For more information, visit www.MarketVanBuren.org.

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Teaching children cough etiquette

By MAYO CLINIC NEWS NETWORK
Tribune News Service

As children around the nation go to school, there is one important lesson they should learn at home. It's called cough etiquette, and it can reduce illness.

"When we talk about cough etiquette, we mean covering your cough," said Dr. Nipunie Rajapakse, a pediatric infectious disease specialist at Mayo Clinic. "It's something parents can talk to their children about at an early age.

"The best way often is coughing into your elbow or sneezing into your elbow, especially if you don't have a tissue," Rajapakse said. "This decreases the number of germs that you get onto your hands and decreases your risk of spreading them to other people."

And it's important to teach your children to stay healthy by encouraging them to wash their hands frequently. Parents can guide their child's behavior by showing the child how it's done.

"We want to teach kids to sneeze into their sleeve or elbow instead of directly onto their hands ... because that decreases their risk of transmitting the infection to others, but in general, also if they do that, they should still be washing their hands," Rajapakse said.

Always wash your hands with warm soap and water after:

- Using the toilet
- Blowing your nose, coughing or sneezing
- Before and after preparing food
- Touching an animal, animal feed or waste
- If your hands are visibly dirty

BLOOD DRIVES

American Red Cross

- Noon-5:45 p.m. Tuesday, Wesley United Methodist Church, 302 Cedar St., Niles.
- Noon-5:45 p.m. Wednesday, Lions Club, 227 County Road 665, Paw Paw.

Versiti Blood Center of Michigan

- 7 a.m.-1 p.m. Saturday, Versiti Blood Center of Michigan, 2710 Cleveland Ave., St. Joseph.
- 7 a.m.-1 p.m. Sunday, Versiti Blood Center of Michigan, 2710 Cleveland Ave., St. Joseph.
- 2-6:30 p.m. Tuesday, St. John's Lutheran Church, community life center, 9193 Cleveland Ave., Baroda.
- 7:30 a.m.-1:30 p.m. Wednesday, Brandywine High School, library, 1700 Bell Road, Niles.
- Noon-7 p.m. Wednesday, Versiti Blood Center of Michigan, 2710 Cleveland Ave., St. Joseph.
- 11:30 a.m.-4 p.m. Feb. 14, Bridgman Public Library, community room, 4460 Lake St., Bridgman.
- 7 a.m.-1 p.m. Feb. 15, Versiti Blood Center of Michigan, 2710 Cleveland Ave., St. Joseph.
- 7 a.m.-1 p.m. Feb. 16, Versiti Blood Center of Michigan, 2710 Cleveland Ave., St. Joseph.
- 1-6 p.m. Feb. 17, The Chapel, 4250 Washington Ave., St. Joseph.

Donors must be at least 17 years old (16 with parental consent) and weigh at least 112 pounds.

Expert: Flu is a bigger threat in United States than coronavirus

By JORIE GOINS
Tribune News Service

Despite widespread fear and uncertainty over coronavirus, a vaccine expert says the bigger threat to Americans is an illness that millions of people in the country catch every year.

"The three biggest risks to Americans: No. 1 influenza, No. 2 influenza, No. 3 influenza," said Dr. Greg Poland, director of the Mayo Clinic's Vaccine Research Group.

Poland said the flu is a bigger immediate concern to Americans who don't have to travel or won't come into contact with someone who was recently in an area of China where there's a high occurrence of coronavirus.

China's Health Commission reported, as of Sunday, there were 475 recoveries and 361 deaths in the country so far.

"The risk of coming into contact with this novel coronavirus at this time in the U.S. is unquantifiably low," Poland said.

The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention recently announced a second seasonal wave of the influenza virus.

The 2019-20 flu season alone has seen an estimated 10,000 deaths and 180,000 hospitalizations, according to the CDC. There are currently fewer than 20 known coronavirus cases in the United States.

But with the international focus on coronavirus, Poland noted, legitimate concerns about influenza could be conflated with fear about coronavirus.

"It's going to cause concern because everyone's thinking it's (an illness) coronavirus, but it isn't coronavirus, it's influenza" Poland said.

Getting a flu vaccine is one of the most important preventive steps people can take, he said. The seasonal flu vaccine protects against the influenza viruses that research indicates will be most common during the upcoming season. Most flu vaccines in the U.S. protect against four flu viruses, the CDC notes.

Despite the low prevalence of the coronavirus, many people are concerned about their risk of developing it. According to Google Trends' Twitter account, interest in "coronavirus symptoms" increased by more than 1,000 percent the week of Jan. 20.

Chiang Ying-ying / AP

A visitor in a costume wears a face mask at the Comic Exhibition in Taipei, Taiwan, on Sunday. A viral outbreak that began in China has infected more than 11,900 people globally.

Ahn Young-joon / AP

A worker wearing protective gear sprays disinfectant at a Chinese store in Seoul, South Korea, on Wednesday as a precaution against a new coronavirus.

Sam McNeil / AP

A girl wears a face mask as she walks across a frozen canal during a snowfall in Beijing on Wednesday. The little-understood new coronavirus has killed nearly 500 people in mainland China, but it has also spread panic and discrimination around the world as the number of cases grows.

In the U.S., searches for terms like "corona beer virus," and "beer virus" have jumped in several states. The disease, however, has nothing to do with the popular beer brand, with the name instead being a nod to the crown-like spikes that appear on the virus.

Poland said the safety measures that have been taken in China, which include closing local offices and urging employees to work from home, are warranted given the country's population density. But those measures don't necessarily make sense in the United States.

"We're not talking about you and I driving to work. We're talking about 11 million people jammed ... into buses and subways and malls and buildings."

Stateside, Poland says coronavirus can and should be managed in a manner similar to how the SARS outbreak in 2002 and 2003 was handled.

"It was controlled with the most inexpensive, but highly efficacious, public health maneuvers," he said.

These maneuvers, Poland said, included wearing surgical masks, social distancing, common sense hygiene and "respiratory etiquette," which includes coughing and sneezing into the crook of the arm. It also makes sense, Poland said, to advise against nonessential travel to China right now.

Influenza A and B viruses travel through the air in droplets when someone with the infection coughs, sneezes or talks. You can inhale the droplets directly, or you can pick up the germs from an object – such as a phone or computer keyboard – and then transfer them to your eyes, nose or mouth, Mayo reports.

Poland said common sense hygiene and health practices can protect people from the flu. Poland believes preventing influenza, in turn, will help decrease misplaced panic about coronavirus.

"Stay away from people who are ill. Wash your hands frequently or use alcohol-based hand sanitizers and don't touch your eyes, nose or mouth. ... If you're ill, don't go to work, don't go to school," he said.

IN BRIEF

Free cooking class to focus on heart health

BENTON HARBOR — The public is invited to join David Chalupa, PA, and Courtney Dixon, RD, for a free educational seminar, "Cooking For Your Heart."

The seminar will be from 6-7 p.m. Thursday in the conference center at Lakeland at Meadowbrook, 2550 Meadowbrook Road.

Chalupa and Dixon will discuss the importance of a heart-healthy diet and demonstrate how to prepare simple, healthy and delicious recipes.

Guests will learn about basic cooking equipment, including knife skills and vegetable chopping, menu planning, snack ideas and more.

Registration is encouraged, but walk-ins will be welcomed.

For more information, or to register, call 927-5361 or visit spectrum healthlakeland.org/hearthealth.

Free wellness workshop planned in Benton Harbor

BENTON HARBOR — Spectrum Health Lakeland will host a wellness workshop from 8 a.m.-noon Thursday at Elite Barbershop, 1301 Pipestone Road.

It will include a free heart health screening, education and health coaching. The health screening will include a fasting cholesterol lipid panel, blood pressure check and body mass index calculation.

A 12-hour fast – no food, only water – is required. Participants must be 18 or older.

Walk-ins will be welcomed.

For more info, call 556-2808.

VIPs meet Thursday

SOUTH HAVEN — The South Haven Area Visually Impaired Persons and Diabetes Awareness Support Group will meet at 1 p.m. Thursday at the Robert Warren Center, 540 Williams St.

For more information, contact facilitator Ray Llorens at 637-1418.

Cass Family Clinic Network achieves Silver status

CASSOPOLIS — In recognition of Cassopolis Family Clinic Network's extensive advocacy efforts, the National Association of Community Health Centers has awarded it Silver status in the Advocacy Center of Excellence Program. CFCN achieved Bronze status in December 2017.

An Advocacy Center of Excellence, or ACE, is a health center that creates a culture of advocacy to ensure policymakers at all levels of government commit to investing in affordable, equitable and innovative care that health centers provide, according to a news release.

ACE levels recognize consistent engagement, success and demonstrated ongoing commitment to making advocacy an organizational priority. ACE certification is awarded at three levels – Bronze, Silver and Gold – and the designation is valid for two years.

ACEs are actively engaged and involved with NACHC and federal policy issues, as well as their state primary care association and key state and local-level policy issues impacting health centers and their patients.

For more information about CFCN, call Rose Willson at 445-3874.

Lakeland recognized for financial excellence

ST. JOSEPH — Spectrum Health Lakeland has been recognized as an Adopter of the Healthcare Financial Management Association's Patient Financial Communications Best Practices.

The recognition is based on nearly 100 best practices covering all aspects of financial interactions that take place in a variety of care settings.

"We understand that health care costs can often seem complex or confusing and the financial conversations we have with patients have never been more important," said Tim Calhoun, Lakeland's chief financial officer. "We have taken steps to ensure our patients are treated with compassion and respect through initiatives such as financial assistance and our financial advocate program, and this recognition confirms that."

Lakeland joins a select group of hospitals, health systems and physician practices that have received this first-of-its-kind, national recognition. Best practices were developed to help improve communication between health care providers and consumers about financial matters.

The task force included representatives from major industry groups, including the American Hospital Association, America's Health Insurance Plans, the American Academy of Family Physicians, and the National Patient Advocate Foundation, among others.

The best practices are part of HFMA's Healthcare Dollars and Sense.

For more information, visit hfma.org/dollars.

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How Pete Buttigieg broke through

It turns out that Pete Buttigieg understood things about the mood of 2020 and the workings of the Iowa caucuses that far more seasoned presidential candidates did not.

And ironically, perhaps, the 38-year-old former South Bend mayor has risen to a leading position in the Democratic presidential nomination process by adapting ideas from former Vice President Joe Biden's playbook.

E.J. Dionne

During his unsuccessful presidential campaign more than three decades ago, Biden relentlessly emphasized the urgency of generational change. He never got a chance to play out his 1987 strategy because plagiarism charges ended his candidacy prematurely. But Buttigieg is demonstrating that Biden was onto something. He's capitalizing on his distance from Washington and the hopes inspired by "a new generation focused on the future."

At this writing the votes from the shambolic Iowa caucuses have not all been tallied, but it's clear that Buttigieg achieved the breakthrough he had hoped for. As of Thursday, he was narrowly ahead of Sen. Bernie Sanders, I-Vt., in state delegates, the traditional measure of victory in Iowa, and slightly behind Sanders in the first round of precinct voting, effectively the "popular vote."

Buttigieg always understood the improbability of his quest. But he never doubted there was a path for him as he made clear in an interview in January 2019, before he formally entered the race.

For example, he correctly saw that a younger candidate could have special appeal to *older* voters.

"From my time running for mayor in my 20s, our polling revealed that the older a voter was, the more likely they would be to vote for a younger candidate," he told me then. "You can … have a different kind of message as a younger candidate. You talk about some of these questions around climate, around the bill for tax cuts, and some of these other topics are going to hit home. ... generational energy is powerful."

What some might claim are political obstacles – notably his pathbreaking identity as the first married gay veteran to seek the presidency – can also be assets.

"There are three gates," he said. "The first is profile: You're interesting because you're a gay millennial mayor, or because you're a woman of color in the Senate, or whatever it is, and that gets somebody to write a story about you, that gets people to think you're kind of interesting ... Step two is message: As the ideas begin to come forward, which ones are really compelling? ... And then the third one, which almost comes full circle, is the messenger. ... Which individual is presenting that message in a compelling way?"

So far, it's worked, and Buttigieg commanded two spaces along the spectrum of candidates.

Biden's major message was that the state's voters should focus on who could beat Trump. They agreed. Asked by the Edison Media entrance poll if they cared more about a candidate's view on issues, or whether he or she could defeat Trump, more than three-fifths picked electability.

Biden's problem: He won less than a quarter of these voters, with Buttigieg matching or slightly exceeding his share of the Beat Trump majority.

And Buttigieg staked out a philosophical space just to the left of Biden. He thus ran even with Biden among self-described moderates, but well ahead of him (and everyone else) with the largest group of caucus-goers, those who called themselves "somewhat liberal." This may prove to be the Democrats' ideological sweet spot going forward.

And where Sanders won overwhelmingly among voters under 30 and Biden swept those over 65, Buttigieg's voters were relatively well distributed across the generations (as were Massachusetts Sen. Elizabeth Warren's). Buttigieg's strongest group: voters between the ages of 45 and 64.

Finally, Buttigieg targeted rural counties that enjoy a slight overrepresentation in the delegate count. This painted a large swath of the Iowa map in Buttigieg's colors and gave him an edge in the delegate battle. So did his popularity as a second-choice candidate, which can produce extra delegates under Iowa's rules.

Buttigieg has a long way to go, and his failure so far to win the trust of African American voters could prove to be an enormous barrier going forward.

But his hopes rest in part on recent political history. "Two Democratic presidents have been elected in my lifetime," he said in the 2019 interview, referring to Bill Clinton and Barack Obama. Before they broke through to public attention, "among their qualities they had in common are youth and relative obscurity." Buttigieg still enjoys the first. The second is now in his past.

E.J. Dionne is a columnist for The Washington Post.

And the winner is ...

Dang, if he didn't do it again: Donald John Trump slid out the back door and won the Iowa caucuses Monday night, thanks to a vote-counting app apocalypse, and he's set to be acquitted on the two impeachment charges leveled against him.

Forget Teflon-President Ronald Reagan, to whom no bad thing ever stuck. Forget the Comeback Kid, President Bill Clinton, who kept getting back up every time he was knocked down. For reasons as mysterious as the Iowa caucuses themselves, President Trump may be the luckiest guy ever to hold the office. Despite being like a bank robber who practically leaves breadcrumbs for the cops to follow, he can't seem to get caught.

Kathleen Parker

And, if Democrats continue their trend of ineptitude – there's more – Trump will escape with another term in office come November. If he wants it.

Though he still falls short of exoneration, Trump doesn't let such details interfere with his own reality. When the Mueller investigation failed to find evidence of a criminal conspiracy between the Trump campaign and Russia, he insisted he was found "innocent."

Likewise, the Senate's inevitable acquittal of Trump won't exonerate him, but he'll surely claim that it does. From his perspective, the proof is glaringly obvious: He's still president of the United States, isn't he? Moreover, the chaos that has been ascribed to the Trump White House since Day One looks like a special ops team compared with the Democrats' recent unraveling.

Another folly has been playing out in Milwaukee, where two leaders of the host committee for the Democratic National Convention have been put on leave pending an investigation into what some staffers have described as a toxic work environment. Details of the alleged offenses haven't been made available, but a statement from the chief executive of the Democratic National Convention Committee, Joe Solmonese, may have provided hints.

"The Democratic Party is firm in our belief that every person deserves to feel safe and respected at their place of work and we will always take seriously claims of bullying and workplace harassment," Solmonese said. He added that the host committee's board of directors "is moving forward with a plan to restore an office culture that aligns with the values and expectations of our party."

Whatever that means.

The definitions of bullying and harassment could mean anything from #MeToo-ish to merely boorish. The Milwaukee Journal Sentinel reported that experienced politicos who have worked with the committee described a "toxic culture rife with power struggles, backbiting and mismanagement." The two officials who have been put on leave, executive director Liz Gilbert and chief of staff Adam Alonso, were also accused of focusing on "accumulating power" rather than "promoting Milwaukee," the Sentinel reported. As of this writing, neither Gilbert nor Alonso has commented on the allegations.

Alonso and Gilbert are apparently veterans of controversy. While working full time for the host committee, the two were criticized for continuing to work for New Jersey Democrats. On Monday, the New Jersey Democratic Party dropped Alonso's $15,000-per-month consulting arrangement.

Controversy is never far away from politics, no matter what the party. And, though the host committee is an independent, civic group and not part of the Democratic National Convention Committee itself, it isn't helpful when a workplace scandal implying inappropriate behavior suddenly surfaces. Without enthusiasm and high morale, organizing a convention and raising the millions of dollars needed to fund the event would be a sentence equal to a Siberian labor camp. Or, say, a short stint in the Trump White House.

These things can happen to anyone, obviously, and, well, apps fail and chads hang. But when they happen with such synchronicity with Trump's sudden swell of sensational headlines, one may be inclined to gaze up into the night sky seeking answers. What starry misalignment or heavenly hoax is this?

If you're a Trump supporter, on the other hand, the stars form constellations of pearl-studded streets, diamond fountains and thrones of gold, reaffirming the belief that, hallelujah, God sent Trump to make America great again.

There's plenty of time for Democrats to get their acts together and for Trump to pull another disqualifying caper. But for this all-important week, the story is that Trump is still winning – while Democratic candidates, who spent months of sweat and lucre in pursuit of a little lightning beneath their feet – waited in line to lose.

Kathleen Parker is a columnist for The Washington Post.

ANOTHER OPINION

Trump showed shallow patriotism during national anthem

In yet another one of his bursts of patriotic fervor – his reportedly calling military generals "a bunch of dopes and babies" aside – President Trump enthusiastically conducted the national anthem that kicked off the Super Bowl on Sunday.

Of course, he was at his Trump International Golf Club in West Palm Beach, hosting a watch party, while the championship game was at Hard Rock Stadium in Miami Gardens. Plus, he was simply clowning around, pretend conducting and looking like a bored 5-year-old.

Meanwhile, first lady Melania Trump, their son Barron, and their guests stood, respectfully, with their hands over their hearts. Just like President Trump has insisted all Americans do, otherwise they are disrespecting the troops. (Jay-Z and Beyonce didn't stand when Demi Lovato sang the anthem, a political statement, reportedly in support of Colin Kaepernick. But at least they didn't goof around.)

Yes, it's the same deep and abiding respect that the president has shown in the past to, oh, say, the late Sen. John McCain, tortured for years as a prisoner of war ("I like people who weren't captured"); and the Muslim parents whose son, an Army captain, was killed in a car bombing in Iraq as he tried to save other troops in 2004. They criticized his hostile stance on Muslims during a speech at the Democratic National Convention in 2016. A petulant candidate Trump responded: "Who wrote that? Did Hillary's script writers write it? I think I've made a lot of sacrifices. I work very, very hard."

Let's throw in one of the president's latest "salutes" to his shameful list of greatest hits: Upon learning that troops indeed received traumatic head injuries in Iran's attack on two U.S. bases in Iraq – initially, it was announced that there were no injuries – Trump referred to them as mere "headaches." "I can report that it's not very serious," he said reassuringly.

It's amazing that so many "patriots" who brandish the flag and wear the red cap actually don't mind any of this.

Yep, headache.

– Miami Herald

Nevertrumpers fail first big test

AMES, Iowa – For six months, some of President Trump's most implacable foes have invested great hope in two Republicans – former Rep. Joe Walsh and former Massachusetts Gov. William Weld – who are challenging the president for the GOP nomination. Could they do some damage to Trump's re-election prospects?

Byron York

In the Iowa caucuses, that hope was put to a first test. It failed.

In the state's Republican caucuses – yes, there were Republican caucuses, and they ran smoothly, unlike the Democratic contest – the Walsh and Weld candidacies fizzled.

In the end, Trump won 97.15 percent of the vote, to Walsh's 1.08 percent and Weld's 1.31 percent. Others – write-ins of various people – totaled 0.47 percent. It was a striking show of strength for the president.

Beyond that, turnout was high for a year in which an incumbent president is assured of renomination. In 2016, about 180,000 Republican voters turned up for Iowa caucuses. But that was a highly competitive year in which Trump battled Ted Cruz, Marco Rubio, Jeb Bush and a number of other candidates. The last time there was a non-competitive GOP race, that is, a race with an incumbent president, was in 2004, when President George W. Bush was in the White House. That year, about 8,000 Republicans showed up for what were essentially meaningless caucuses.

This year, the turnout was 32,320, an impressive number for an incumbent year.

Delighted state GOP officials owed a lot to the president's decision to make a serious effort in Iowa this caucus season. First, he visited Des Moines and held a rally last Thursday; it was far bigger than any event staged by any Democratic candidate. Then, Trump sent more than 80 surrogates to the state, including his two sons, a slate of Cabinet members, Republican congressmen and GOP governors. Then, the Trump campaign stepped up its social media work in the state.

The reason was not that Trump was afraid of Walsh or Weld. The reason was that Trump was trying to strengthen support in Iowa, a swing state won by Barack Obama in 2008 and 2012, so that it will be in the Trump general election win column before Democrats even pick their candidate.

Organizers of the caucus in Ames, home to Iowa State University, hoped that perhaps 100 people would show up. And that was with the participation of one of the campaign's star surrogates, presidential son Donald Trump Jr. As it turned out, 449 people showed up to vote, and another 80 or so came just to watch what was going on.

By and large, the attendees did not merely like the president; they loved the president.

"I think he's doing a great job," said Rod Kern.

"I am thrilled with him," said Paula Anderson.

"Best president we've ever had, outside of Reagan, maybe," said Bob Folkmann.

"I hope people are telling you they are so excited about our president," said Joyce Hoffman. (They were.)

"I'm so on for Trump," said Andrea Hrbek. "I have not loved a Republican president like Trump." Hrbek explained that she voted for Bush, McCain and Romney but today feels a bit embarrassed by each vote. Not so with Trump.

And so on.

At caucuses, representatives of each candidate are supposed to have a little time to tell the audience why they should vote for that candidate. In Ames, Trump Jr. was the star of the show, talking for more than 20 minutes about his father's accomplishments, and also dwelling on the investigations to which Democrats have subjected Trump and his family.

Jeff Ortiz, the co-chair of the Story County GOP, went from table to table, asking people if anyone would like to make remarks on behalf of Walsh or Weld. There were no takers.

In the end, out of 449 votes, Trump received 415, Walsh 20, and Weld 9. There was one write-in each for a disparate group: Vice President Mike Pence, former U.N. Ambassador Nikki Haley, Nebraska Sen. Ben Sasse, and Dispatch writer David French. One person abstained.

In the end, Ortiz was delighted with a turnout more than four times what he originally expected. Yes, that was a display of clout by Trump, but it was also an organizational shot in the arm for the local party.

"It's critical that we get these people to turn out, to sign up for our central committees, to stay involved right up until the end," Ortiz said. "Because there are no guarantees come November."

As good as the result was for the Trump team, it was at best a discouraging outcome for the NeverTrump challenge. In late January, former Weekly Standard editor Bill Kristol pleaded on Twitter: "Iowa Republicans: Caucus for Joe Walsh or Bill Weld or uncommitted. You're better than Donald Trump. Don't stoop to support this man so unworthy of your support."

Iowa Republicans ignored the entreaty, and many others that came before it.

Now the campaign is on to New Hampshire. As in Iowa, Trump plans a rally in the state before the primary. Again there will be surrogates, and again there will be stepped-up online campaigning. The result could be another difficult night for the quixotic Republican effort to stop the president.

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A vape shop manager shows Puff Bar flavored disposable vape devices at a store in the Brooklyn borough of New York on Jan. 31. On Thursday the U.S. government began enforcing restrictions on flavored electronic cigarettes aimed at curbing underage vaping. But parents, researchers and students warn that some young people have already moved on to a newer kind of vape that isn't covered by the flavor ban – disposables.

FDA crackdown on vaping flavors has blind spot: disposables

By MATTHEW PERRONE
Associated Press

WASHINGTON — The U.S. government on Thursday began enforcing restrictions on flavored electronic cigarettes aimed at curbing underage vaping. But some teenagers may be one step ahead of the rules.

Parents, researchers and students warn that some young people have already moved on to a newer kind of vape that isn't covered by the flavor ban.

These disposable e-cigarettes are sold under brands like Puff Bar, Stig and Fogg in flavors such as pink lemonade, blueberry ice and tropical mango.

The Food and Drug Administration's crackdown narrowly targets reusable vaping devices like Juul, the blockbuster brand that helped trigger the teen vaping craze in the U.S. Under the new policy, only menthol and tobacco flavors are allowed for those devices.

Critics of the FDA policy fear teens will simply switch to the cheaper disposables, which are widely available at convenience stores and gas stations.

"They are very accessible and seem to be the new buzzy product," said Dr. Karen Wilson, a tobacco researcher and pediatrician at Mount Sinai's medical school in New York.

The FDA confirmed that the flavor restriction won't apply to "self-contained, disposable products," but only to rechargeable ones that use pods or cartridges prefilled with a nicotine solution.

The agency's rationale: Reusable vaping devices are far and away the most popular with underage users, preferred by more than 60 percent of high schoolers who vape, according to survey data collected last year.

The FDA's top tobacco regulator said it can still go after any vaping product that appeals to teenagers.

"If we see a product that is targeted to kids, we will take action," Mitch Zeller, who heads the agency's tobacco center, said in a statement.

Thursday was the deadline for makers of reusable e-cigarettes to stop selling fruity and candy flavors. Juul was already in compliance. It dropped its best selling mint and most other flavors before the ban was announced in early January and only sells tobacco and menthol.

At a congressional hearing Wednesday, the head of Fontem U.S., which makes blu vapes, was pressed to drop its vivid vanilla and cherry crush disposable e-cigarettes.

Fontem chief Antoine Blonde countered that its customers are adults, not children. Less than 3 percent of high school students who vape reported blu as their preferred brand, according to 2019 government data.

"We're not aware of any issue caused by our disposable flavors," Blonde said.

Sales of disposable e-cigarettes and all other tobacco and vaping products are prohibited to teenagers under the government's new age limit, which went from 18 to 21 late last year.

High school student Philip Fuhrman says most of his New York classmates who vape have ditched Juul for disposables like Stig, a tiny e-cigarette sold in flavors like mighty mint and mango bomb.

They're easier to hide because "they're smaller and when you're done you can just throw it away," said the 16-year-old Fuhrman, who says he no longer vapes. He's now an anti-vaping activist and his mother is one of the founders of a parents' group opposed to youth vaping.

At $20 for a three-pack, Stig may not seem cheap. But Fuhrman and other teens say it's a smaller investment than the $40 or $50 needed to buy a Juul device and a four-pack of pods. Furhman says teens will instead buy a pack of Stigs "for the weekend and then just be done with it."

The makers of Stig, Puff Bar and Fogg disposables did not respond to requests for comment.

Analysts report that disposables are still just 5 percent of the nearly $15 billion global vaping market, according to the firm ECigIntelligence.

Researchers who study e-cigarette trash around high schools say they have noticed a shift in what teens are vaping. Jeremiah Mock, of the University of California, San Francisco, has been finding discarded Puff Bars in local school parking lots over the last three months.

Vape shop owners also say the market is changing.

Since the FDA announcement, distributors and manufacturers have ramped up their disposable offerings, according to Vapewerks owner Jeremy Gardner in Cumberland, Maryland.

"How do disposables get a free pass when they're essentially the same thing as a Juul or anything else that comes with a prefilled pod?" he asked.

Gardner doesn't stock his most requested brand, Puff Bar, but sells a rival disposable. Most of his business comes from larger, tank-based vapes, which are more popular with adults and allow users to customize flavors and nicotine concentrations. Those products are exempt from government flavor restrictions.

E-cigarettes, which heat a nicotine solution into a vapor, are often promoted as a less harmful alternative to traditional cigarettes but the FDA has not approved any vaping product to help smokers quit. The makers of all vaping products face a May deadline to submit applications for government health and safety review.

Mike Chang, owner of Master Piece Smoke Shop in New York City, says most of his customers who buy disposables switched from Juul after the company pulled its mint, mango and dessert flavors last fall. The company took that voluntary step under pressure from multiple federal investigations and lawsuits from state and local authorities.

The San Francisco company's retail sales have fallen 35 percent since their peak last July, driven by the loss of flavors, according to Wall Street research firm Piper Sandler. Juul does not sell disposable e-cigarettes.

In a government survey last year, more than 1 in 4 high school students reported using e-cigarettes in the prior month. The next federal study begins this spring.

NASA's Koch, crewmates safely back from space

By VLADIMIR ISACHENKOV
Associated Press

MOSCOW — NASA astronaut Christina Koch, who spent nearly 11 months in orbit to set a record for the longest spaceflight by a woman, landed safely Thursday in Kazakhstan along with two International Space Station crewmates.

The Soyuz capsule carrying Koch, station Commander Luca Parmitano of the European Space Agency and Russian cosmonaut Alexander Skvortsov, touched down southeast of Dzhezkazgan, Kazakhstan, at 3:12 p.m. (0912 GMT).

Koch wrapped up a 328-day mission after her first flight into space, providing researchers the opportunity to observe the effects of long-duration spaceflight on a woman. The study is important since NASA plans to return to the moon under the Artemis program and prepare for the human exploration of Mars.

Koch smiled and gave a thumbs-up as a support team helped her out of the capsule and placed her in a chair for a quick post-flight check-up alongside her crew mates. Russian space officials said they were in good shape.

Koch, who grew up in Jacksonville, North Carolina, and now lives near the Gulf of Mexico in Galveston, Texas, with her husband, Bob, told The Associated Press last month that taking part in the first all-female spacewalk was the highlight of her mission.

Koch said she and fellow NASA astronaut Jessica Meir appreciated that the Oct. 18 spacewalk "could serve as an inspiration for future space explorers."

Parmitano and Skvortsov spent 201 days in space.

After preliminary medical evaluations, the crew will be flown by Russian helicopters to the city of Karaganda in Kazakhstan. Koch and Parmitano will then board a NASA plane bound for Cologne, Germany, where Parmitano will be greeted by European space officials before Koch proceeds home to Houston.

Sergei Ilnitsky

U.S. astronaut Christina Koch reacts shortly after the landing of the Russian Soyuz MS-13 space capsule about 80 miles south-east of the Kazakh town of Zhezkazgan, Kazakhstan, on Thursday.

OBITUARIES

Death notices

Harold "Lee" Briney, 76, of South Bend, Ind., formerly of Niles died Feb. 6, 2020. Brown Funeral Home and Cremation Services, Niles, 683-1155.

Dale Bussler, 86, of Niles died Feb. 6, 2020. Brown Funeral Home and Cremation Services, Niles, 683-1155.

Karen Lewis, 59, of New Buffalo died Feb. 2, 2020. Brown Funeral Home and Cremation Services, Niles, 683-1155.

Lisa Lintz, 44, of Niles died Feb. 6, 2020. Brown Funeral Home and Cremation Services, Niles, 683-1155.

Rex J. McCombs, 90, of Niles died Feb. 5, 2020, at home. Brown Funeral Home and Cremation Services, Niles, 683-1155.

Clarence V. Mott Sr., 88, of Lawrence died Feb. 4, 2020, at Bronson Methodist Hospital, Kalamazoo. Adams Funeral Home, Paw Paw, 657-6347.

Shawn Wreggelsworth, 59, of Niles died Feb. 6, 2020, at Lakeland Medical Center, St. Joseph. Halbritter Wickens Funeral Home, Niles, 683-3000.

Clarence Van Mott Sr.

Jan. 26, 1932 – Feb. 4, 2020

Clarence Van Mott Sr., 88, of Lawrence passed away Feb. 4, 2020, at Bronson Methodist Hospital in Kalamazoo.

He was born Jan. 26, 1932, in Steele, Mo., the son of the late Herman and Stella (Raymond) Mott. On June 29, 1974, in Lawrence, he married Jerri (Burton) Mott, who survives. He is also survived by his daughter, Glenda (Mark) Mott-Long of Watervliet; two sons, Van Mott of Coloma and Aaron Mott of Benton Harbor; three grandchildren, Tasha, Trey and Nicole; six great-grandchildren: Jordyn, Jaedyn, Liam, Jac, Noah and Nathan; two brothers, Charley (Faye) Mott of Benton Harbor and Lee (Linda) Mott of Stevensville; sister, Polly (Ray) Rankin of Iron Mountain, Mich.; along with many nieces and nephews.

Clarence was preceded in death by three brothers, Carl, Roy and Edward Mott; and four sisters, Mildred Clemens, Dessie Kennedy, Bonnie Hayes and Virginia Mott.

Clarence served in the Korean War in the U.S. Army and retired after 32 years as a 1st Sgt. He was a member of the American Legion Hess Eastman Post 174 in Lawrence and was a member and past Master of the Masonic Lodge 25 in Paw Paw and St. Joseph. He and his brother owned the Jokers Club and had a country music traveling band. Clarence was a very loving, kind, generous and forgiving person. He was the owner of I.B.I.D. County Electric in Benton Harbor, where he earned a Small Businessman of the Year award. For many years he sponsored children's sports. He was one of 16 men out of 4,000 picked to volunteer for Desert Storm. Clarence was a member of ROPE (Reunion of Professional Entertainers in Nashville).

The family will receive friends beginning at 10 a.m. Monday, Feb. 10, at Midway Baptist Church, Watervliet, where a memorial service will follow at 11 a.m. Memorial contributions may be directed to the Hess-Eastman American Legion Post 174 in Lawrence. Share a memory or sign the online guest book at: www.adamspawpaw.com.

Danny Ray Cole

May 30, 1967 – Feb. 3, 2020

Danny Ray Cole, 52, of Baroda passed away on Monday, Feb. 3, 2020. Arrangements have been entrusted to Starks & Menchinger Funeral Home, 2650 Niles Road, St. Joseph.

Danny was born on May 30, 1967, in Benton Harbor, to the late Melton and Peggy (Tate) Cole. On July 2, 1993, he married his best friend and the love of his life, Janice Elaine Guzicki.

Danny was friendly with a sharp sense of humor and genuine smile that brightened a room. He will be most remembered for his great kindness; he was always willing to lend a hand to anyone. His amazing qualities made him someone who was truly loved by everyone who knew him.

Danny was employed by Boelcke Heating & Cooling. He was proud of his 23-plus years working there and loved his work family.

Danny is survived by his loving wife, Janice; sisters, Patricia (Daniel) McCrery and Corey (Michael) Hoffman, both of St. Joseph; brother, Robert (Jennifer) Atherton of St. Joseph; half-sister, Mary (Atlee) McFellan of Galesburg, Mich.; half-brother, Jim Eberwein of Missouri; and numerous nieces, nephews and great-nieces and great-nephews. Preceding Danny in death are his parents – Melton and Peggy, and his step-mother Beverly Cole.

Visitation with the family will take place from 1-4 p.m. Sunday, Feb. 9, at Starks & Menchinger Funeral Home. A Celebration of Life service will take place immediately following at 4 p.m. The family will host a reception following the service. Memorial contributions may be made to the donor's choice. Friends wishing to leave the family a message of condolence may do so at www.starks-menchinger.com.

Births

Lakeland Medical Center – Niles

Buchanan – Boy, 7 pounds, 9 ounces, Alexis Saxe, 1:53 p.m. Jan. 29.

Lakeland Medical Center – St. Joseph

Benton Harbor – Boy, 6 pounds, 15 ounces, Tiffanni McNeely and Bruce Benson Jr., 12:18 a.m. Feb. 4.

Benton Harbor – Girl, 5 pounds, 3 ounces, Kiylee Burk Terry and Mark Cox, 12:24 p.m. Jan. 31.

Coloma – Boy, 7 pounds, 13 ounces, Delia and Matthew Nicholls, 5:34 p.m. Feb. 3.

Watervliet – Boy, 8 pounds, 3 ounces, Ashley and Kris Tenter, 1:50 p.m. Feb. 5.

Marriage Licenses

Cierha Rose Adams and Walter Frederick Lary, both of Niles.

Jasmine Rose Cook or Roscommon, Mich., and Andrew Brian Taylor of Three Oaks.

Amanda Mary King and Andrew Scott Wheeler Jr., both of Niles.

Sabrina Ann Reybuck and Christopher William Burch, both of Baroda.

DO YOU REMEMBER?

25 years ago – 1995

City leaders in St. Joseph have decided to eliminate the option of building a new St. Joseph City Hall on the existing building's site. But they added another alternative: to build on property owned by St. Joseph attorney Elden Butzbaugh, directly across Main Street. Officials approved entering negotiations to buy Butzbaugh's 132-foot by 132-foot lot on the southeast corner of Broad and Main streets.

Mayor Jeff Richards suggested buying the land and deciding later whether it should be used for a new City Hall or a parking lot.

35 years ago – 1985

Medical reports are being sought from 28 people in the Coloma area complaining of a skin irritation problem, Monte Sternaman, engineer for Coloma City, said yesterday. He said the rashes are being treated as an allergy and not a disease.

Those already reporting the condition will be contacted by officials and asked for copies of medical reports which will be submitted to the Berrien County Health Department to determine similarities, Sternaman said.

50 years ago – 1970

Mr. and Mrs. Clare Milton of Niles Ave., St. Joseph, residents since 1920, will leave shortly to reside in a retirement home in New Jersey.

Milton was principal of St. Joseph High School for 26 years. Last year the St. Joseph School Board named the school building in which he presided "Milton Junior High School."

TODAY IN HISTORY

By THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Today is Friday, Feb. 7, the 38th day of 2020. There are 328 days left in the year.

Highlight in history:

On Feb. 7, 1964, the Beatles arrived at New York's John F. Kennedy International Airport to begin their first American tour.

On this date:

In 1812, author Charles Dickens was born in Landport, Portsmouth, England.

In 1817, America's first public gas street lamp was lighted in Baltimore at the corner of Market and Lemon streets (now East Baltimore and Holliday streets).

In 1940, Walt Disney's second animated feature, "Pinocchio," premiered in New York.

In 1943, the government abruptly announced that wartime rationing of shoes made of leather would go into effect in two days, limiting consumers to buying three pairs per person per year. (Rationing was lifted in October 1945.)

In 1948, Gen. Dwight D. Eisenhower resigned as U.S. Army chief of staff; he was succeeded by Gen. Omar Bradley.

In 1962, President John F. Kennedy imposed a full trade embargo on Cuba.

In 1984, space shuttle Challenger astronauts Bruce McCandless II and Robert L. Stewart went on the first untethered spacewalk, which lasted nearly six hours.

In 1986, the Philippines held a presidential election marred by charges of fraud against the incumbent, Ferdinand E. Marcos. Haitian President-for-Life Jean-Claude Duvalier fled his country, ending 28 years of his family's rule.

5-Day Forecast for St. Joseph

Today	Tonight	Saturday	Sunday	Monday	Tuesday
Scattered Snow	Isolated Snow	Isolated Snow	Scattered Snow	Mostly Cloudy	Mostly Cloudy
31°	25°	29° / 21°	35° / 27°	34° / 24°	32° / 26°

Local Outlook

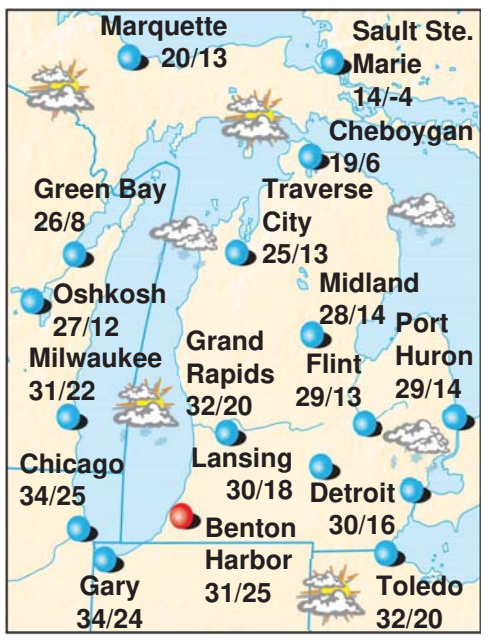
Today we will see mostly cloudy skies with a 40% chance of scattered snow, high of 31°, humidity of 68%. South wind 8 to 11 mph. Snow accumulation of less than one inch possible. Expect mostly cloudy skies tonight with a 30% chance of isolated snow, overnight low of 25°.

Sun and Moon

Sunrise	7:52 a.m.
Sunset	6:07 p.m.
Moonrise	4:17 p.m.
Moonset	6:48 a.m.

Full	Last	New	First
2/9	2/15	2/23	3/2

Regional Map



Local Almanac

Benton Harbor Yesterday

Temperature

High	27°
Low	24°
Normal High	33°
Normal Low	18°
Record High	55° in 2017
Record Low	-7° in 2007

Precipitation

Yesterday	0.00"
Month to date	0.02"
Normal for month	0.27"
Year to date	3.88"
Normal Year to date	2.02"

Air Quality

Yesterday	20
Main Offender	Particles

The higher the number, the greater the need for people with respiratory problems to reduce outside activity.

0-50	Good
51-100	Moderate
101-150	Sensitive
151-200	Unhealthy

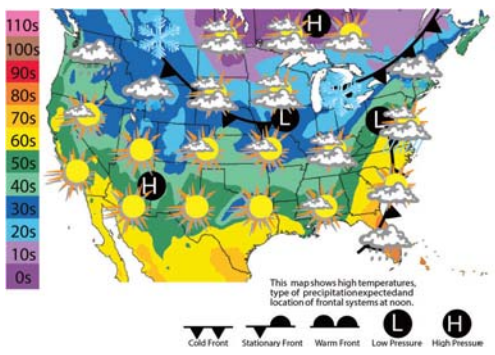
Weather Trivia

What do you see when you see your breath? ?

Answer: Condensed water vapor.

National Weather Map

Forecast map for Feb. 7, 2020



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Lake Michigan

Today, N wind 10 to 14 kt. A slight chance of snow. Waves 3 to 4 ft. Water temperature 36 degrees. Tonight, W wind 7 to 10 kt. A chance of snow. Waves 3 to 4 ft.

Michigan Forecast

Upper Peninsula

Today, skies will be mostly cloudy to cloudy with scattered snow showers, highs in the 10s and 20s. North northeast wind 6 to 9 mph. Expect partly cloudy to mostly cloudy skies Saturday with highs in the 10s and 20s. Light winds.

Lower Peninsula

Today, skies will be mostly cloudy with scattered snow, highs in the 20s and 30s. South wind 8 to 11 mph. Expect mostly cloudy skies Saturday with isolated snow, highs in the 20s and 30s. Light winds.

Storms sweep over Southeast with rain, wind, floods; 3 dead

By JAY REEVES
Associated Press

BIRMINGHAM, Ala. — A powerful winter storm raked the Southeast on Thursday with high winds, rain and floods that killed at least three people and injured several more across a dozen states. Rescue crews repeatedly pulled people from cars that got stuck in high water, but couldn't reach a person whose vehicle disappeared into a rain-swollen creek.

The storm front destroyed mobile homes in Mississippi and Alabama, caused mudslides in Tennessee and Kentucky and flooded communities that shoulder waterways across the Appalachian region.

In Florida, high winds prompted the closure of the Sunshine Skyway Bridge spanning Tampa Bay, the Florida Highway Patrol said. Tornado watches were in effect Thursday evening from northern Florida up through North Carolina.

Virginia Gov. Ralph Northam declared a state of emergency Thursday evening because of heavy rains and extreme flooding in several areas. His statement added emergency officials reported more than 500 people in and around Richlands, in Tazewell County, were displaced by flooding and needed rescue from their homes.

Richard Shiro / AP

The Saluda River rages over a spillway after more than four inches of rain fell in Pelzer, S.C. on Thursday.

In Harlan County, Kentucky, two mobile homes floated away as dozens of families were evacuated amid rising water, authorities said.

"Its a very bad situation that continues to worsen by the hour," said Harlan County Judge Executive Dan Mosley.

Rain kept falling over a path of splintered trees and sagging power lines that stretched from Louisiana into Virginia. School districts cancelled classes in state after state as bad weather rolled through.

One person was killed and another was injured as high winds destroyed two mobile homes near the town of Demopolis, Alabama, the Storm Prediction Center reported.

The victim, Anita Rembert, was in one of the homes with her husband, her child and two grandchildren, said Kevin McKinney, emergency management director for Marengo County. The man was injured but the children were unhurt, he said.

High winds there left roadsides strewn with plywood, insulation, broken trees and twisted metal. The National Weather Service was checking the site for signs of a tornado.

A driver died in South Carolina when a tree fell on an SUV near Fort Mill, Highway Patrol Master Trooper Gary Miller said. The driver's name wasn't immediately released.

In North Carolina's Gaston County, a driver was killed after his pickup truck hydroplaned in heavy rain, plunged down a 25-foot embankment and overturned in a creek, the North Carolina State Highway Patrol said, according to news outlets. Terry Roger Fisher was pronounced dead at the scene.

In Pickens, Mississippi, the ceiling caved in and furniture flew around 64-year-old Emma Carter's mobile home. She considered herself lucky after surviving an apparent tornado.

Carter, her two daughters and two grandsons were inside when the strongest winds hit Wednesday afternoon. Her grandson, DeMarkus Sly, 19, told everyone to lie flat and cover their heads as aluminum sheeting from nearby structures slammed into the home.

"We are blessed that nobody got hurt, that nobody got killed," Carter said.

Flooding, meanwhile, forced rescuers to suspend their search for a vehicle missing with a person inside it in north Alabama's Buck's Pocket State Park.

Victims: PG&E still has rickety power line near Paradise

By MICHAEL LIEDTKE
Associated Press

SAN FRANCISCO — Pacific Gas & Electric is still operating a rickety power line near the one that ignited a 2018 wildfire that wiped out the Northern California city of Paradise and killed 85 people, according to an expert inspection conducted as part of a legal claim.

In an inspection just two months ago, an expert hired by the wildfire victims' attorneys found a power line with rusty equipment and some parts w ere wrapped with what appeared to be electrical tape for nearly a year.

The expert compared the power lines to a year earlier and found the safety concerns remained. PG&E was alerted about the potential hazards on the Cresta-Rio Oso line before the findings were made public Thursday, according to the victims' attorneys.

The potential hazards were spotted along a transmission line known as "Cresta-Rio Oso," about 100 yards from another line, known as Caribou-Palermo.

A rusting piece of equipment that failed in 2018 on the Caribou-Palermo line has been blamed for causing the fire that destroyed thousands of homes and other buildings, mostly in Paradise.

Both the Cresta-Rio Oso and Caribou-Palermo lines are located in a canyon running along the Feather River in Butte County, about 25 miles from Paradise. PG&E had temporarily turned off the Cresta-Rio Oso line for maintenance before the destructive fire caused by the Caribou-Palermo line, which has since been permanently deactivated.

DEBATE

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presented to them in January and eliminates the request to declare Berrien a "Second Amendment Sanctuary County."

It also does not include the sentence stating that "this Board affirms its support for the Berrien County Sheriff and the Berrien County Prosecuting Attorney, in the exercise of their sound discretion to not enforce against any citizen an unconstitutional firearms law." Commissioners noted that they have no authority to tell those elected officials which laws to enforce.

The draft now on the table reads, "it is the desire of this Board to declare its support of the Second Amendment to the United States Constitution and to the provisions of the Michigan Constitution which protect Berrien County citizens' individual rights to keep and bear arms," and "the Berrien County Board of Commissioners reaffirms their commitment and promise to support the Constitution of the United States, including the Second Amendment as well as the Constitution of the State of Michigan."

Board Chairman Mac Elliott said commissioners "have no reservations about supporting the Second Amendment and the Michigan constitution."

He acknowledged that the resolution was "symbolic" and that commissioners had no legal authority to regulate gun ownership, something that is in the hands of lawmakers in Lansing and Washington, D.C.

The Second Amendment Sanctuary resolution has been passed by at least eight counties in Michigan, and is circulating elsewhere. A House resolution seeks to declare Michigan a Second Amendment sanctuary state. The move comes in reaction to proposals for regulations such as "red flag" laws that could keep guns out of the hands of people deemed dangerous by law enforcement.

Several of those in support of the resolution said such laws could be the first step toward government confiscation of legally owned firearms.

"Take away our guns and we become a nation of sheep, ready for the slaughter," one man said.

Others noted that firearms are frequently used to prevent crimes by private citizens, because the police aren't always around.

Opponents cited the 40,000 gun deaths reported in the U.S. each year, two-thirds of which are suicides. Betsy Lozoff, a retired pediatrician, note that 90 percent of suicide attempts with a gun are completed, compared to 2 percent for those who cut their wrists or take pills.

An Andrews University student countered that argument, saying he had a friend who committed suicide with a firearm.

"Depression killed him, not the gun," he said.

The student also said he didn't feel safe during a lockdown on campus, when he only had a chair to defend himself.

One resident suggested that the question should be decided by voters, and not just commissioners.

Straszewski agreed that the resolution has "no teeth." But he said that they are hoping to gain the support of more counties, so that they can have more influence on legislators.

Commissioners are expected to consider the resolution at their 10:30 meeting Feb. 13, at the administration building, 701 Main St., St. Joseph.

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SEARCH

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afternoon filming at the Michigan Flywheelers Museum's antique engine and tractor show, where he learned how to cut a log into lumber, drove an antique tractor and rode on an old steam traction engine. In addition, scenes were filmed at an area dinner, at the Grand Rapids office of the National Weather Service, and on and under Lake Michigan. The Michigan Maritime Museum's vintage U.S. Coast Guard craft "USCG 36460" also makes an appearance in a re-enactment.

"The crew of more than a dozen producers, camera and audio personnel was here for just over a week," said van Heest. "Filming was grueling, but fun. We often started at 3 a.m. and wrapped after 9 p.m." Josh Gates, she noted, does more than appear in the show as its host. He also produces, directs and help edits the show. "He's not just a pretty face," she joked.

MSRA began its search for the lost airliner in 2004 after MSRA board member Craig Rich wrote a newspaper article about the loss, renewing local interest. That caught the attention of author Clive Cussler for an expedition he funded. They soon realized finding the plane would be no small task. Their search grid spanned an area of 600 square miles. Each spring since then, the explorers have used a side-scan sonar and magnetometer to comb the lake bottom for signs of the wreckage. Instead they have located 10 shipwrecks.

But MSRA hasn't given up on locating the plane.

Since 2017, the group has worked independently to keep searching. Gates and his show have now brought added incentive, according to van Heest.

"We really worked hard to cover more ground while the production team was here," she said. The team also worked with the Michigan State Police Underwater Recovery Unit from Lansing, which also appears in the show. They used their Autonomous Underwater Vehicle in the search, further expanding the coverage area. "That led to some excitement on the lake" she reported, though she is banned from discussing any discoveries until the show airs.

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Carlos Osorio / AP

Detroit Pistons center Andre Drummond pulls down a rebound during the second half of a game against the Phoenix Suns on Wednesday.

Off to Cleveland

Pistons trade center Andre Drummond to Cavaliers

By VINCE ELLIS
Detroit Free Press (TNS)

DETROIT — Andre Drummond was once considered untouchable.

He was traded Thursday at the NBA trade deadline.

The Detroit Pistons are sending Drummond to the Cleveland Cavaliers, a Free Press source confirmed less than one hour before the deadline.

ESPN's Adrian Wojnarowski was first to report the trade.

Cleveland is sending Brandon Knight, John Henson and a 2023 second-round pick to Detroit.

Both Henson and Knight, whom the Pistons drafted in the first round of the 2011 draft, have contracts that expire this offseason.

The Pistons now have one too many players on their roster.

Wojnarowski reported a few minutes after the trade deadline that the Pistons waived backup point guard Tim Frazier to make room on the roster.

After 7 ½ seasons of historic rebounding, Drummond leaves the franchise with three rebounding titles and two All-Star appearances.

But he also leaves after a lot of losing; the Pistons reached the playoffs twice with Drummond, and an NBA record 14-game postseason losing streak is ongoing.

Drummond leaves the franchise as the second-leading rebounder in Pistons history behind Bill Laimbeer.

He's averaging 17.8 points and a league-leading 15.8 rebounds in 49 games this season.

There's no disputing he was the best Piston the past decade.

But with the Pistons looking to the future and embarking on a youth movement, the two sides have parted.

Drummond, 26, was once a franchise cornerstone.

The 6-feet-11 center fell to the Pistons at No. 9 in the 2012 NBA draft. Michael Kidd-Gilchrist, Dion Waiters and Thomas Robinson were among the players picked before Drummond, who was 18 on draft day.

Drummond became a fan favorite, forming chemistry with point guard Will Bynum for alley-oop dunks.

After a back injury forced Drummond to miss a few weeks as a rookie, he was durable. He has played at least 78 games in six straight seasons.

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Sox head to spring training with playoffs in mind

By JAY COHEN
Associated Press

CHICAGO — Tim Anderson got more excited as the names started rolling in.

Yasmani Grandal behind the plate, and Gio González and Dallas Keuchel for the rotation. Edwin Encarnación for Chicago's lineup, and Steve Cishek for the White Sox bullpen.

"It shows you how serious we are," Anderson said.

Very serious at this point.

Coming off seven consecutive losing seasons, the White Sox are talking playoffs heading into spring training. After Anderson, Yoán Moncada and Eloy Jiménez broke out last year and Grandal, Keuchel and company signed in free agency, the rebuild is over.

The White Sox want to win right now.

"I'm very confident and I trust the work we have been doing the last couple of years, this year all that effort, all that work is going to pan out," first baseman José Abreu said through a translator.

While the newcomers filled some big holes, the biggest key to Chicago's chances might be the continued development of its promising young players.

Lucas Giolito is the ace of the rotation after he went 14-9 with a 3.41 ERA in 29 starts last year, tying for the major league lead with two shutouts and three complete games. Moncada set career highs with 25 homers, 79 RBIs and a .315 batting average in 2019, and Jiménez belted 31 homers in his first big league season.

Anderson led the majors with a .335 batting average, and he thinks he can be even better this year.

"I know how good I want to be," he said. "I don't need (anybody) to push me to be great. I'm going to get there myself."

The improvement Chicago showed last year helped attract the attention of Keuchel, who agreed to a $55.5 million, three-year contract in December. Keuchel went 8-8 with a 3.75 ERA last season for Atlanta, beating the White Sox on Aug. 31.

Keuchel said the situation on the South Side reminds him of the beginning of his career with Houston.

"Last year I told myself I wasn't going to go back to a team like that, but here we are," he said. "I guess I was impressed with the jump (in)

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John Bazemore / AP

Chicago White Sox starting pitcher Lucas Giolito works in the first inning of a Sept. 1, 2019 against the Atlanta Braves. Giolito is the ace of the rotation after he went 14-9 with a 3.41 ERA in 29 starts last year, tying for the major league lead with two shutouts and three complete games.

NBA's trade window has hectic ending

By TIM REYNOLDS
AP Basketball Writer

MIAMI — Most of the top NBA playoff contenders stayed out of the down-to-the-wire frenzy at the trade deadline.

Miami and the Los Angeles Clippers beefed up instead.

And a slew of other teams – including the Golden State Warriors – made moves with short-term finances and long-term ramifications in mind.

The NBA's 3 p.m. EST deadline Thursday for trades to be consummated did not arrive quietly, with a flurry of deals getting struck in the final hour and at least one other notable move falling apart before reaching the finish line. Deals that included at least 41 players and 15 future draft picks were

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Kathy Willens / AP

Golden State Warriors guard D'Angelo Russell (0) drives next to Brooklyn Nets guard Caris LeVert (22) during the first half of Wednesday's game.

Tigers hope worst is behind them in rebuild

By NOAH TRISTER
AP Baseball Writer

DETROIT — Detroit general manager Al Avila hopes the worst is over for the rebuilding Tigers.

"I don't think anybody was trying to hide away from the difficult couple years, three years that we've been having," Avila said. "Went through a full teardown, full rebuild, and now we're in a process where we're ready to step up and start getting better."

Detroit began its new path in earnest in 2017, when Justin Verlander and some other significant players were traded away. The results since then have been predictable, but after 114 losses last year, Avila and the Tigers are hoping this coming season will include some signs of progress.

Detroit has some highly touted pitching prospects who could certainly help at some point this season, and the Tigers added some power in an effort to improve on last year's anemic offense.

There's still a long way to go, a fact that was underscored by Detroit's hesitance to make any major, long-term commitments in the free agent market. If the Tigers finish with a more respectable record and the young players pan out, there may then be more pressure on the front office to boost the payroll.

For now, expectations are still measured.

"We're looking forward to the competition with some of our young guys," Avila said. "We feel we're going to have a better team and a better year."

Kamil Krzaczynski / AP

Detroit's Miguel Cabrera rounds the bases after hitting a solo home run off of Chicago White Sox's Reynaldo Lopez during a Sept. 28, 2019 game.

NEW LOOK

Detroit added second baseman Jonathan Schoop and first baseman C.J. Cron, both of whom hit over 20 home runs last year. Nobody on the Tigers hit more than 15. The Tigers also signed right-hander Ivan Nova and catcher Austin Romine.

ROOKIES TO WATCH

Right-hander Casey Mize, the No. 1 pick in the 2018 draft, headlines a group of pitching prospects that also

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Manfred: MLB mulls live video limits, may rule on Red Sox next week

By RONALD BLUM
AP Baseball Writer

ORLANDO, Fla. — Major League Baseball intends to impose new limits on what live video is available to teams, and Commissioner Rob Manfred hopes to complete his investigation into alleged electronic sign stealing by the Boston Red Sox before spring training camps open next week.

"I think you should assume that before the season starts we will have new guidelines with respect to the use of video equipment," Manfred said Thursday after an owners meeting. "I think we have too much video available in real time right now."

After former Houston pitcher Mike Fiers told The Athletic in November that the Astros used a video camera to steal the signs of opposing catchers in 2017 and 2018, Manfred last month suspended Houston manager AJ Hinch and general manager Jeff Luhnow for one season, fined the Astros $5 million and stripped them of their first- and second-round drafts picks in 2020 and 2021.

Hinch and Luhnow were fired the same day, and the scandal led to the departures of Boston manager Alex Cora, Houston's bench coach during its 2017 title run, and New York Mets manager Carlos Beltrán, an Astros player that season.

MLB is investigating a separate allegation the Red Sox broke sign-stealing rules in 2018, when Cora led Boston to the championship in his first season as manager.

"I'm hopeful that I can get Boston done before the camps open," said Manfred, with workouts to start Wednesday.

Manfred did not punish any Houston players and said no Red Sox players will be sanctioned. But he left open the possibility of discipline for future violations.

"We have the right to discipline players right now. I'm absolutely convinced of that fact," he said. "We made a decision in the Houston investigation that in order for us to get the facts that we needed, somebody had to get immunity."

He was not disappointed by the reluctance of current Astros players to apologize.

"I think the jury's still out on exactly what the Houston players are going to say," he said, pointing toward spring training as the possible time and place for contrition.

Baseball has looked at earpieces as a way to avoid the use of signs but determined

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John Raoux / AP

MLB Commissioner Rob Manfred answers questions at a press conference during the baseball owners meetings Thursday in Orlando, Fla.

IN BRIEF

Blackhawks D Seabrook undergoes right hip surgery

CHICAGO (AP) — Blackhawks defenseman Brent Seabrook is expected to be ready for the start of next season after he had right hip surgery on Thursday.

The 34-year-old Seabrook also had right shoulder surgery in December and left hip surgery last month. Team physician Michael Terry said Seabrook will be ready to return in five to six months.

Seabrook, who is under contract through the 2023-24 season at an average annual value of $6,875,000, was placed on long-term injured reserve in December.

The 6-foot-3 Seabrook has 103 goals and 361 assists in 1,114 games since his NHL debut in 2005, plus 20 goals and 39 assists in 123 playoff appearances.

He helped the Blackhawks win the Stanley Cup in 2010, 2013 and 2015.

Source: Bryant memorial set for Feb. 24 at Staples

LOS ANGELES (AP) — A public memorial service for Kobe Bryant, his daughter and seven others killed in a helicopter crash is planned for Feb. 24 at Staples Center, a person with knowledge of the details told The Associated Press on Thursday.

The arena is where Bryant starred for the Los Angeles Lakers for most of his two-decade career and the date 2/24 corresponds with the No. 24 jersey he wore and the No. 2 worn by his 13-year-old daughter, Gianna.

No official announcement about the memorial has been made. The person who provided the information to the AP is knowledgeable about the planning and spoke only on condition of anonymity. The Los Angeles Times was first to report the event, citing two anonymous sources with knowledge of the planning.

AIRWAVES

Television today

12:30 p.m. (ESPN2) **Tennis** The Match In Africa. Federer vs. Nadal. (Live)
3:00 p.m. (Golf) **PGA Tour Golf** AT&T Pebble Beach Pro-Am, Second Round. (Live)
6:00 p.m. (Bigten) **College Hockey** Wisconsin at Michigan. (Live) CC
(FS1) **NHRA Drag Racing** Lucas Oil Winternationals, Qualifying. (Live) CC
7:00 p.m. (ESPN2) **College Basketball** Davidson at VCU. (Live)
(FoxDetroit) **NHL Hockey** Detroit Red Wings at Columbus Blue Jackets. (Live)
8:00 p.m. (ESPN) **NBA Basketball** Toronto Raptors at Indiana Pacers. (Live)
(FS1) **College Basketball** Maryland at Illinois. (Live) CC
(NBCSCH) **NBA G League Basketball** Long Island Nets at Windy City Bulls. (Live)
8:30 p.m. (26) **High School Basketball** Pinewood Prep at Porter-Gaud. (Live)
9:00 p.m. (Bigten) **College Wrestling** Penn State at Wisconsin. (Live) CC
(ESPN2) **College Basketball** South Alabama at Troy. (Live)
9:30 p.m. (Golf) **Golf** LPGA & European Tour: ISPS Handa Vic Open, Third Round. (Live)
(NBCSports) **FIS Freestyle Skiing** Intermountain Healthcare Freestyle International: Aerials. (Live)
10:00 p.m. (FS1) **2020 CONCACAF Women's Olympic Qualifying Championship** Semifinal: Teams TBA. (Live) CC
10:30 p.m. (ESPN) **NBA Basketball** Portland Trail Blazers at Utah Jazz. (Live)

Friday

7:25 a.m. (NBCSports) **Premier League Soccer** Everton FC vs Crystal Palace FC. (Live)
9:30 a.m. (FS1) **Bundesliga Soccer** VfL Wolfsburg vs Fortuna Düsseldorf. (Live) CC
12:00 p.m. (2) (3) (22) **Golf** AT&T Pebble Beach Pro-Am Million Dollar Hole in One for Charity. (Taped) CC
(17) (22.2) (32) **College Basketball** Michigan State at Michigan. (Live)
(ESPN) **College Basketball** LSU at Auburn. (Live)
(ESPN2) **College Basketball** Kansas at TCU. (Live)
(FoxDetroit) **College Basketball** DePaul at Georgetown. (Live)
12:30 p.m. (5) (8) (16) **Premier League Soccer** Brighton & Hove Albion FC vs Watford FC. (Live)
1:00 p.m. (2) (3) (22) **College Basketball** Kentucky at Tennessee. (Live) CC
(Golf) **PGA Tour Golf** AT&T Pebble Beach Pro-Am, Third Round. (Live)
1:30 p.m. (Bigten) **Women's College Gymnastics** Michigan State at Rutgers. (Live) CC
(FS1) **NASCAR Cup Series** Busch Clash at Daytona, Practice. (Live) CC
2:00 p.m. (7) (13) (41) (57) **XFL Football** Seattle Dragons at DC Defenders. (Live)
(ESPN) **College Basketball** Purdue at Indiana. (Live)
(ESPN2) **College Basketball** Florida at Ole Miss. (Live)
2:30 p.m. (17) (22.2) (32) **College Basketball** Seton Hall at Villanova. (Live)
3:00 p.m. (2) (3) (22) **PGA Tour Golf** AT&T Pebble Beach Pro-Am, Third Round. (Live) CC
(5) (8) (16) **FIS Freestyle Skiing** Intermountain Healthcare Freestyle International - World Cup. (Taped)
(FS1) **NASCAR Cup Series** Busch Clash at Daytona, Practice. (Live) CC
(NBCSports) **College Basketball** St. Bonaventure at Duquesne. (Live)
4:00 p.m. (5) (8) (16) **Track and Field** Millrose Games. (Live)
(Bigten) **College Basketball** Minnesota at Penn State. (Live) CC
(ESPN) **College Basketball** Virginia at Louisville. (Live)
(ESPN2) **College Basketball** Texas Tech at Texas. (Live)
(NBCSCH) **College Basketball** Drake at Northern Iowa. (Live)
4:30 p.m. (FS1) **ARCA Racing Series** Daytona. (Live) CC
5:00 p.m. (17) (22.2) (32) **XFL Football** Los Angeles Wildcats at Houston Roughnecks. (Live)
6:00 p.m. (Bigten) **College Basketball** Nebraska at Iowa. (Live) CC
(ESPN) **College Basketball** Duke at North Carolina. (Live)
(ESPN2) **College Basketball** Oklahoma State at Baylor. (Live)
7:00 p.m. (FoxDetroit) **NBA Basketball** New York Knicks at Detroit Pistons. (Live)
(FS1) **NHRA Drag Racing** Lucas Oil Winternationals, Qualifying. (Live) CC
8:00 p.m. (Bigten) **College Wrestling** Iowa at Michigan. (Live) CC
(ESPN) **UFC 247: Jones vs. Reyes - Prelims** Trevin Giles vs. Antonio Arroyo, middleweight bout. (Live)
(ESPN2) **College Basketball** Kansas State at Iowa State. (Live)
(FS1) **College Basketball** Providence at Xavier. (Live) CC
(NBCSCH) **NBA G League Basketball** Grand Rapids Drive at Windy City Bulls. (Live)
8:30 p.m. (7) (13) (41) (57) **NBA Basketball** Los Angeles Lakers at Golden State Warriors. (Live)
9:00 p.m. (Showtime) **Boxing** Gary Russell Jr. vs. Tugstsogt Nyambayar. (Live) CC
10:00 p.m. (ESPN) **College Basketball** Gonzaga at Saint Mary's (Calif.). (Live)
(ESPN2) **College Basketball** UCLA at Arizona. (Live)
(FS1) **College Basketball** USC at Arizona State. (Live) CC

Radio today

5:45 p.m.
High school basketball — St. Joseph at Lakeshore doubleheader (WSJM-AM, 1400; WSJM-FM, 106.1)

Saturday

Noon
College basketball — Michigan State at Michigan (WSJM-AM, 1400; WSJM-FM, 106.1; WCSY-FM, 103.7)

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Nick Taylor follows his shot from the ninth tee of the Monterey Peninsula County Club Shore Course during the first round of the AT&T Pebble Beach National Pro-Am on Thursday.

Taylor takes first-round lead on glorious day at Pebble Beach

By DOUG FERGUSON
AP Golf Writer

PEBBLE BEACH, Calif. — Nick Taylor opened with an eagle, closed with two birdies and made a gorgeous day feel even better with an 8-under 63 at Monterey Peninsula that gave him the lead Thursday in the AT&T Pebble Beach Pro-Am.

Most of the interest over three courses in the rotation was at Spyglass Hill, which featured Dustin Johnson and Phil Mickelson, along with five NFL quarterbacks that included Peyton Manning and his recently retired brother, Eli.

The iconic scenery is at Pebble Beach, especially when the surf turns a turquoise hue under so much sunshine.

Taylor went about his business quietly, and most effectively.

Starting on the back nine at Monterey Peninsula, with a chilly breeze at his back, he hit 4-iron to a back pin that settled 4 feet away for an eagle, ht 3-iron out of the rough for a two-putt birdie on the par-5 16th and knew he was playing well when he hit 4-iron to 10 feet on the first hole, a 495-yard par 4 that feels even longer when the air is cold at sea level.

Better still was the finish – a 5-iron back toward the ocean to 5 feet, and then a wind-aided 3-iron from 240 yards on a back tee he had never seen to 20 feet.

"A nice start," Taylor said, referring to his 4-iron that set up eagle and the 63 that matched his low round on the tour. "The weather helps out. If it's raining, it's windy, five-and-a-half hours is a long round. But we were very relaxed today, joked all day, and I felt like the mood was great."

He led by two shots to par over Patrick Cantlay (Spyglass) and Chase Seiffert (Pebble Beach), who each had a 6-under 66.

Defending champion Phil Mickelson, whose third-place finish in Saudi Arabia last week was his best result in a year, was slightly disappointed with his 68 at Spyglass because of how well he felt he hit it off the tee.

"I drove it like a stallion," said Mickelson, a phrase he once used in describing his play at the $9 million pay-per-view match he won against Tiger Woods in Las Vegas.

Cantlay made nine birdies at Spyglass and wasn't even the best putter in his group. Some of his best views of this stunning day along the rugged coastline was watching champion surfer Kelly Slater on the greens, not in the pipe.

"He looked like the best putter on tour today," Cantlay said of his amateur partner.

Cantlay, who tried surfing one time as a teenager and wisely gave it up, showed why golf has worked out OK for him. Despite two soft bogeys early in his round and a bogey on the par-5 14th from mud on his ball, he was among the leaders and feeling comfortable with all aspects of his game.

The two bogeys early came from a chip just behind the green at No. 2 that rolled out some 6 feet by the pin, and a birdie chance that turned into bogey with a three-putt from 18 feet on the skinny green at the picturesque fourth.

The rest of it was solid, and the number of birdies was encouraging.

Cantlay loves the Monterey Peninsula so much he could retire here, and he had even more reason to love it Thursday. His group was first off in the morning, giving them an entire front nine of fresh greens.

"Course was probably the best shape I've ever seen it and we're getting perfect weather," he said. "So yeah, it's great."

Dustin Johnson had a 69 at Spyglass, while Jordan Spieth checked in at 70. They typically play in the same group that does not lack in entertainment with their amateurs, hockey great Wayne Gretzky and country singer Jake Owen.

Gretzky hit into a bunker off the tee at No. 6, found the first of two bunkers in front of the green and went into the other bunker from there. Spieth delivered the good news: "There's no bunkers left," he said.

Such is the nature of this week, a blend of incomparable scenery and amateurs that include entertainers and athletes, and corporate titans.

Among those at 5-under par were Charley Hoffman, who holed out from the fairway for eagle on No. 4 at Spyglass for the loudest cheer of the day, and Harry Higgs, the PGA Tour rookie who drew Commissioner Jay Monahan as his partner.

Off to College

Photo provided

St. Joseph's Christian Myers signed to play football at Olivet College on Wednesday. He is pictured with his parents, Courtney and Kristina.

Red Wings snap 9-game losing skid

Detroit 4, Buffalo 3

BUFFALO, N.Y. (AP) — Dylan Larkin scored twice and converted one of Detroit's two shootout goals, and the Red Wings snapped a nine-game skid with a 4-3 win over the Buffalo Sabres on Thursday night.

Andreas Athanasiou sealed the victory by scoring on Detroit's second shootout opportunity after Jonathan Bernier stopped Jack Eichel and Sam Reinhart on Buffalo's first two attempts.

Bernier finished with 29 saves through overtime and Tyler Bertuzzi also scored in a game the Red Wings rebounded after squandering a 2-0 third-period lead.

By improving to 1-8-1 their past 10 and winning for the first time since a 3-2 shootout victory at Ottawa on Jan. 10, the Red Wings avoided their second 10-game losing streak of the season. Detroit went 0-10-2 during a stretch spanning November and December.

Detroit also ended a nine-game road losing streak dating to a 2-1 win at Montreal on Dec. 14.

The Sabres earned a point when Evan Rodrigues tied it at 3 with 47 seconds remaining.

That came some six minutes after his high-sticking penalty led to Bertuzzi's power-play goal putting Detroit up 3-2.

The Sabres erased a 2-0 third-period lead when Jimmy Vesey and Scott Wilson scored 2:41 apart in the third period to tie the game at 2 with 11:31 remaining.

Report: Michigan's Simpson crashed car prior to suspension

ANN ARBOR (AP) — Michigan guard Zavier Simpson reportedly crashed a vehicle registered to the wife of the Wolverines' athletic director late last month, shortly before the school announced he was suspended for a game.

MLive, citing a police report, reported Thursday that officers found Simpson outside the vehicle around 3 a.m. on Jan. 26. The car had made contact with a pole and street sign. An officer said he did not notice any smell of intoxicant from Simpson's breath.

According to the police report, Simpson told officers his name was Jeff Jackson Simpson, and that he'd been walking down the street and noticed the crashed vehicle. When officers recognized him and asked why he'd given a different name, Simpson said he didn't want to be involved with the crash report.

Simpson told police the car belonged to Evan Manuel, a student manager for the basketball team who is the son of athletic director Warde Manuel.

Police said Chrislan Manuel, Warde Manuel's wife and the registered owner of the car, spoke with Evan and told police that Simpson had been driving. When interviewed by an investigator, Simpson said he drove the car into a pole because of icy conditions.

Simpson received a citation for driving too fast for conditions.

Michigan announced Jan. 27 that Simpson was suspended for an unspecified violation of team policy. He missed one game before returning.

"We have addressed this situation with Zavier and continue to move forward," a Michigan basketball spokesman said Thursday in a statement, according to MLive.

"We viewed his situation as an educational opportunity for him as well as the rest of the team."

Bulls fall to Zion, Pelicans

New Orleans 125, Chicago 119

By JAMAL COLLIER
Chicago Tribune (TNS)

CHICAGO — While the Bulls preach patience in the midst of the third season of their rebuilding process, the Pelicans accelerated their rebuild last summer. They ignited the process with a strong return in the trade that sent Anthony Davis to the Lakers, then they benefited from some lottery luck to land the No.1 pick in the draft, which they used to draft phenom Zion Williamson.

The disparity between the two rosters was on full display during the Bulls' 125-119 loss to the Pelicans on Thursday night at the United Center, the Bulls' fourth straight loss.

Williamson had his way in the paint, bulldozing past a shorthanded frontcourt with ease to score 21 points on 9 of 11 shooting in 25 minutes. The Pelicans were not met with much resistance all night by the Bulls, who are missing their top two defenders, Wendell Carter Jr. and Kris Dunn.

The Pelicans scored 72 points in the first half.

SCOREBOARD

BOWLING

KELLEY'S BOWL

WHIRLPOOL UNITED MEN'S – Wayne Johnson 720 (299), Mike Wyman 696 (247), Paul Koth 676 (239), Mike Neuenschwander 643 (245), Mike Duensing 631 (266). Team: Hi Chargers 2934 (989), Humpday Hurlers 2771 (957).
WHIRLPOOL MIXED – Women: Karyn Fricke 556 (209), Linda Dockham 543, Sally Loikits 514, Sue Wyman 507, Linda Butler 470. Men: Ben Brose 742 (288), Eric Monville 610 (235), Scott Ostojic 527, Mike Wright 524 (206), Nick Norton 507. Team: The Bowling Stones 1951 (675), Ups and Downs 1939 (675).

COLOMA LANES

THURS. IND. – Aaron Collins 715 (246), Brad Flowers 707 (258), Jim Davis 703 (244), Mike Carter 674 (225), Tim Kling 667 (235), Jeremy Webster 666 (268), Arica Angelo 648 (278), Tom LoPresti 644 (233), Gary Gargano 641 (258), Tiff Moore 616 (235). Team: Big C Lumber 3185 (1115).

AREA SCHEDULE

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Berrien Springs at Parchment, 7
Brandywine at Bridgman, 7
Comstock at Buchanan, 7
Covert at Countryside, 7
Dowagiac at Edwardsburg, 7:15
Paw Paw at South Haven, 7:15
Michigan Lutheran at New Buffalo, 7:30
Watervliet at Gobles, 7:30
Lake Michigan Catholic at River Valley, 7:30
Decatur at Marcellus, 7:30
Eau Claire at Hartford, 7:30
Howardsville Christian at Lawrence, 7:30
Mendon at Bloomingdale, 7:30
Girls basketball
Covert at Countryside, 5:30
St. Joseph at Lakeshore, 5:45
Niles at Portage Northern, 5:45
Brandywine at Bridgman, 5:45
Paw Paw at South Haven, 5:45
Berrien Springs at Parchment, 6
Dowagiac at Edwardsburg, 6
Howardsville Christian at Lawrence, 6
Watervliet at Gobles, 6
Fennville at Coloma, 6
Michigan Lutheran at New Buffalo, 6
Comstock at Buchanan, 6
Lake Michigan Catholic at River Valley, 6
Decatur at Marcellus, 6
Hartford at Eau Claire, 6
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BOYS SWIMMING

BC LAKEVIEW 111, ST. JOSEPH 74

200 medley relay – Lakeview 1:44.55; 200 freestyle – Joe Wood (BCL) 1:46.70; 200 IM – Nathaniel Pawlowicz (BCL) 2:07.78; 50 freestyle – Jake Siddall (BCL) 23.67; diving – Jacob Maynard (SJ) 183.05; 100 butterfly – Andrew Moyer (SJ) 58.45; 100 freestyle – Joe Wood (BCL) 49.89; 500 freestyle – Dane Schiller (BCL) 5:17.03; 200 free relay – Lakeview 1:33.13; 100 backstroke – Cameron Lott (BCL) 57.27; 100 breaststroke – Troy Burrow (SJ) 1:06.59; 400 free relay – Lakeview 3:31.82.

GIRLS BASKETBALL

Tuesday's results

GULL LAKE 70, LAKESHORE 39

Lakeshore – Jayden Schmaltz 12, Riley Pifer 12.

Lakeshore	**15**	**18**	**11**	**5**	**—**	**39**
Gull Lake	**9**	**11**	**32**	**18**	**—**	**70**

Complete results unavailable

NBA

EASTERN CONFERENCE
Atlantic Division

	W	L	Pct	GB
Toronto	37	14	.725	—
Boston	35	15	.700	1½
Phila.	31	21	.596	6½
Brooklyn	23	27	.460	13½
New York	16	36	.308	21½

Southeast Division

	W	L	Pct	GB
Miami	34	16	.680	—
Orlando	22	30	.423	13
Washington	17	32	.347	16½
Charlotte	16	35	.314	18½
Atlanta	14	38	.269	21

Central Division

	W	L	Pct	GB
Milwaukee	44	7	.863	—
Indiana	31	20	.608	13
Chicago	19	34	.358	26
Detroit	19	34	.358	26
Cleveland	13	39	.250	31½

WESTERN CONFERENCE
Southwest Division

	W	L	Pct	GB
Houston	32	18	.640	—
Dallas	31	20	.608	1½
Memphis	26	25	.510	6½
San Antonio	22	28	.440	10
New Orleans	21	31	.404	12

Northwest Division

	W	L	Pct	GB
Denver	36	16	.692	—
Utah	32	18	.640	3
Oklahoma City	31	20	.608	4½
Portland	23	28	.451	12½
Minnesota	15	35	.300	20

Pacific Division

	W	L	Pct	GB
L.A. Lakers	38	11	.776	—
L.A. Clippers	36	15	.706	3
Phoenix	20	31	.392	19
Sacramento	19	31	.380	19½
Golden State	12	40	.231	27½

Wednesday's Games
Detroit 116, Phoenix 108
Brooklyn 129, Golden State 88
Toronto 119, Indiana 118
Boston 116, Orlando 100
Atlanta 127, Minnesota 120
Oklahoma City 109, Cleveland 103
Memphis 121, Dallas 107
Denver 98, Utah 95
L.A. Clippers 128, Miami 111
Thursday's Games
New York 105, Orlando 103
New Orleans 125, Chicago 119
Milwaukee 112, Phila. 101
San Antonio at Portland
Houston at L.A. Lakers
Today's Games
Dallas at Washington, 7 p.m.
Memphis at Phila., 7 p.m.
Atlanta at Boston, 7:30 p.m.
Detroit at Oklahoma City, 8 p.m.
Toronto at Indiana, 8 p.m.
Houston at Phoenix, 9 p.m.
Miami at Sacramento, 10 p.m.
Portland at Utah, 10:30 p.m.
Saturday's Games
Milwaukee at Orlando, 5 p.m.
Dallas at Charlotte, 7 p.m.
New York at Detroit, 7 p.m.
Brooklyn at Toronto, 7:30 p.m.
New Orleans at Indiana, 7:30 p.m.
L.A. Clippers at Minnesota, 8 p.m.
L.A. Lakers at Golden State, 8:30 p.m.
Denver at Phoenix, 9 p.m.
San Antonio at Sacramento, 10 p.m.

NEW ORLEANS 125, CHICAGO 119

NEW ORLEANS (125)
Ingram 5-10 3-3 15, Williamson 9-11 3-5 21, Favors 4-5 0-0 8, Ball 3-5 0-0 9, Holiday 4-11 0-0 9, Hayes 3-4 3-6 9, Melli 5-8 0-2 12, Okafor 1-2 0-0 2, Alexander-Walker 0-0 0-0 0, Hart 4-7 1-2 12, Jackson 1-2 0-0 2, Moore 3-8 0-0 8, Redick 7-14 1-1 18. Totals 49-87 11-19 125.
CHICAGO (119)
Hutchison 6-14 4-8 16, Young 5-10 0-0 11, Kornet 1-1 0-0 3, LaVine 8-19 5-7 22, Satoransky 4-10 0-0 9, Felicio 1-4 3-4 5, Arcidiacono 5-6 0-0 13, Harrison 5-8 0-0 11, Mokoka 6-6 0-2 15, White 5-15 2-2 14. Totals 46-93 14-23 119.

New Orleans	**32**	**40**	**31**	**22**	**—**	**125**
Chicago	**25**	**37**	**19**	**38**	**—**	**119**

3-Point Goals—New Orleans 16-38 (Ball 3-5, Hart 3-6, Redick 3-8, Melli 2-4, Moore 2-4, Ingram 2-5, Holiday 1-5), Chicago 13-29 (Mokoka 3-3, Arcidiacono 3-4, White 2-7, Satoransky 1-3, Young 1-3, LaVine 1-5, Hutchison 0-2). Fouled Out—None. Rebounds—New Orleans 45 (Favors 15), Chicago 40 (Hutchison 8). Assists—New Orleans 38 (Ball 10), Chicago 25 (White 9). Total Fouls—New Orleans 20, Chicago 16. A—18,247 (20,917)

NHL

EASTERN CONFERENCE
Atlantic Division

	GP	W	L	OT	Pts	GF	GA
Boston	55	33	10	12	78	183	138
Tampa Bay	54	34	15	5	73	196	149
Florida	53	29	18	6	64	190	178
Toronto	54	28	19	7	63	194	181
Montreal	56	26	23	7	59	175	172
Buffalo	54	23	23	8	54	154	171
Ottawa	54	18	25	11	47	145	183
Detroit	55	13	38	4	30	115	210

Metropolitan Division

	GP	W	L	OT	Pts	GF	GA
Washington	54	36	13	5	77	197	160
Pittsburgh	53	33	15	5	71	178	146
N.Y. Islanders	52	31	15	6	68	155	142
Columbus	54	29	16	9	67	144	135
Carolina	54	31	20	3	65	174	148
Philadelphia	54	29	18	7	65	170	162
N.Y. Rangers	52	26	22	4	56	171	169
New Jersey	53	19	24	10	48	146	190

WESTERN CONFERENCE
Central Division

	GP	W	L	OT	Pts	GF	GA
St. Louis	55	32	15	8	72	176	157
Colorado	52	30	16	6	66	192	151
Dallas	53	30	18	5	65	142	136
Nashville	53	26	20	7	59	174	174
Winnipeg	55	27	23	5	59	163	168
Chicago	54	25	21	8	58	161	168
Minnesota	53	25	22	6	56	164	176

Pacific Division

	GP	W	L	OT	Pts	GF	GA
Vancouver	55	30	20	5	65	179	167
Vegas	56	28	21	7	63	177	168
Edmonton	53	28	19	6	62	170	165
Arizona	56	27	22	7	61	158	153
Calgary	55	27	22	6	60	149	169
San Jose	54	23	27	4	50	139	178
Anaheim	54	22	26	6	50	139	166
Los Angeles	55	19	31	5	43	136	176

NOTE: Two points for a win, one point for overtime loss. Top three teams in each division and two wild cards per conference advance to playoffs.
Wednesday's Games
N.Y. Rangers 5, Toronto 3
Boston 2, Chicago 1, OT
Thursday's Games
New Jersey 5, Philadelphia 0
Montreal 3, Anaheim 2, OT
Vegas 7, Florida 2
N.Y. Islanders 5, Los Angeles 3
Tampa Bay 4, Pittsburgh 2
Detroit 4, Buffalo 3, SO
Colorado 4, Ottawa 1
Minnesota 4, Vancouver 2
Winnipeg 4, St. Louis 2
Nashville 3, Calgary 2
Carolina 5, Arizona 3
San Jose at Edmonton
Today's Games
Anaheim at Toronto, 7 p.m.
Buffalo at N.Y. Rangers, 7 p.m.
Detroit at Columbus, 7 p.m.
Minnesota at Dallas, 8:30 p.m.
Saturday's Games
Ottawa at Winnipeg, 2 p.m.
Arizona at Boston, 3 p.m.
Colorado at Columbus, 7 p.m.
Los Angeles at New Jersey, 7 p.m.
N.Y. Islanders at Tampa Bay, 7 p.m.
Nashville at Edmonton, 7 p.m.
Philadelphia at Washington, 7 p.m.
Pittsburgh at Florida, 7 p.m.
Toronto at Montreal, 7 p.m.
Dallas at St. Louis, 8 p.m.
Calgary at Vancouver, 10 p.m.
Carolina at Vegas, 10 p.m.

DETROIT 4, BUFFALO 3 (SO)

Detroit	**2**	**0**	**1**	**1**	**—**	**4**
Buffalo	**0**	**0**	**3**	**0**	**—**	**3**

Detroit won shootout 2-0
First Period–1, Detroit, Larkin 16 (Daley, Fabbri), 4:23. 2, Detroit, Larkin 17 (Hronek, Fabbri), 19:59. Penalties–Abdelkader, Det (Interference), 1:56; Helm, Det (Hooking), 18:45; Eichel, Buf (High Sticking), 18:52.
Second Period–None. Penalties–Lindstrom, Det (Tripping), 9:29; McCabe, Buf (High Sticking), 12:59.
Third Period–3, Buffalo, Vesey 7 (Sheary), 5:48. 4, Buffalo, Wilson 1 (Miller), 8:29. 5, Detroit, Bertuzzi 18 (Filppula, Bowey), 13:56 (pp). 6, Buffalo, Rodrigues 4 (Ristolainen), 19:13. Penalties–Biega, Det (Cross Checking), 3:03; Vesey, Buf (Slashing), 3:03; Smith, Det (Slashing), 6:00; Rodrigues, Buf (High Sticking), 12:13.
Overtime–None. Penalties–None.
Shootout–Detroit 2 (Larkin G, Athanasiou G), Buffalo 0 (Eichel NG, Reinhart NG).
Shots on Goal–Detroit 7-9-4-1–21. Buffalo 8-8-14-2–32.
Power-play opportunities–Detroit 1 of 4; Buffalo 0 of 4.
Goalies–Detroit, Bernier 11-14-2 (32 shots-29 saves). Buffalo, Johansson 0-0-1 (21-18).
A–16,607 (19,070). T–2:38.
Referees–Chris Schlenker, Ian Walsh. Linesmen–David Brisebois, Mark Shewchyk.

GOLF

PGA – AT&T Pebble Beach Pro-Am
Thursday
Pebble Beach, Calif.
p-Pebble Beach Golf Links (Host Course) 6,816 yards, Par 72
s-Spyglass Hill Golf Course 7,035 yards, Par 72
m-Monterey Peninsula CC 6,958 yards, Par 71
Purse: $7.8 million
First Round
Note: Tournament is played on three courses with different pars.

Nick Taylor	30-33 —	63-8m
Patrick Cantlay	34-32 —	66-6s
Chase Seiffert	34-32 —	66-6p
Harold Varner III	33-34 —	67-5p
Richy Werenski	32-34 —	66-5m
Robert Streb	35-32 —	67-5p
Charley Hoffman	32-35 —	67-5s
Max Homa	32-35 —	67-5s
Lanto Griffin	33-34 —	67-5s
Ricky Barnes	34-32 —	66-5m
Harry Higgs	32-34 —	66-5m
Charl Schwartzel	33-34 —	67-4m
Greg Chalmers	34-33 —	67-4m
Matthew NeSmith	34-34 —	68-4p
Phil Mickelson	34-34 —	68-4s
Justin Suh	33-34 —	67-4m
Matt Jones	33-35 —	68-4p
Chez Reavie	32-35 —	67-4m
Kevin Chappell	35-33 —	68-4s
Jonathan Byrd	32-35 —	67-4m
Jim Herman	32-35 —	67-4m
Jason Day	32-35 —	67-4m
Wyndham Clark	36-32 —	68-4s
Stewart Cink	35-34 —	69-3p
George McNeill	35-33 —	68-3m
Scott Harrington	33-35 —	68-3m
Kevin Streelman	34-35 —	69-3s
Troy Merritt	37-32 —	69-3s
Adam Schenk	31-37 —	68-3m
Scott Piercy	33-35 —	68-3m
Aaron Wise	32-36 —	68-3m
Alex Cejka	35-34 —	69-3p
Wes Roach	33-36 —	69-3p
Henrik Norlander	35-34 —	69-3p
Doug Ghim	34-34 —	68-3m
Zac Blair	36-33 —	69-3s
Kurt Kitayama	34-35 —	69-3s
Brandon Wu	33-36 —	69-3s
Beau Hossler	31-37 —	68-3m
Tim Wilkinson	34-35 —	69-3p
Dustin Johnson	35-34 —	69-3s
Aaron Baddeley	35-33 —	68-3m
Rob Oppenheim	33-35 —	68-3m
Daniel Berger	36-34 —	70-2s
J.J. Spaun	33-36 —	69-2m
Viktor Hovland	37-33 —	70-2s
Ryan Armour	36-34 —	70-2p
Chris Baker	35-34 —	69-2m
Tom Hoge	33-36 —	69-2m
Peter Malnati	35-35 —	70-2p
Alex Noren	35-34 —	69-2m
Graeme McDowell	34-36 —	70-2s
Lucas Glover	36-34 —	70-2p
Matt Kuchar	33-37 —	70-2p
Jordan Spieth	35-35 —	70-2s
Matt Every	33-37 —	70-2p
Keith Mitchell	34-35 —	69-2m
Paul Casey	36-35 —	71-1s
Johnson Wagner	35-35 —	70-1m
Tyler McCumber	34-37 —	71-1p
Josh Teater	36-34 —	70-1m
Chesson Hadley	36-35 —	71-1s
John Senden	35-36 —	71-1s
J.B. Holmes	37-34 —	71-1p
Brice Garnett	34-36 —	70-1m
Vincent Whaley	33-38 —	71-1p
Pat Perez	35-36 —	71-1s
Padraig Harrington	35-35 —	70-1m
Rafa Cabrera Bello	33-37 —	70-1m
Matthew Fitzpatrick	35-36 —	71-1p
Bo Hoag	35-36 —	71-1p
Kristoffer Ventura	36-35 —	71-1p
Xinjun Zhang	39-32 —	71-1p
Bill Haas	34-37 —	71 Em
Cameron Champ	35-36 —	71 Em
Ben Martin	35-37 —	72 Ep
Chris Kirk	37-35 —	72 Ep
Seamus Power	36-36 —	72 Ep
Maverick McNealy	33-39 —	72 Ep
Zack Sucher	34-38 —	72 Ep
Cameron Davis	35-36 —	71 Em
Joel Dahmen	35-36 —	71 Em
D.J. Trahan	36-35 —	71 Em
Ted Potter, Jr.	36-36 —	72 Ep
James Hahn	36-35 —	71 Em
Luke Donald	37-35 —	72 Es
Cameron Tringale	35-36 —	71 Em
David Lingmerth	34-38 —	72 Ep
Kevin Kisner	36-36 —	72 Es
Vaughn Taylor	36-36 —	72 Ep
Brian Gay	35-37 —	72 Es
Joseph Bramlett	35-36 —	71 Em
Sebastian Cappelen	35-37 —	72 Es
Michael Gligic	37-35 —	72 Es
Doc Redman	39-34 —	73+1s
Tyler Duncan	36-37 —	73+1p
Nate Lashley	39-34 —	73+1s
Brandt Snedeker	37-36 —	73+1s
Jimmy Walker	36-37 —	73+1s
Ben Taylor	37-36 —	73+1s
Ryan Brehm	37-36 —	73+1s
Michael Thompson	37-36 —	73+1p
Scott Stallings	37-36 —	73+1p
Nick Watney	34-39 —	73+1p
Martin Trainer	38-35 —	73+1s
Brandon Hagy	34-39 —	73+1p
Sean O'Hair	37-36 —	73+1s
Branden Grace	39-34 —	73+1s
Nelson Ledesma	39-34 —	73+1p
Brian Stuard	36-37 —	73+1p
Anirban Lahiri	35-38 —	73+1p
Jason Dufner	37-36 —	73+1s
Kiradech Aphibarnrat	35-38 —	73+1p
Michael Gellerman	34-39 —	73+1p
Peter Uihlein	38-35 —	73+1s
Rod Pampling	34-39 —	73+2m
Adam Hadwin	38-36 —	74+2s
Roberto Castro	36-38 —	74+2p
Jim Furyk	37-37 —	74+2s
Mark Anderson	33-40 —	73+2m
J.J. Henry	37-37 —	74+2p
Cshad Campell	37-37 —	74+2s
Mackenzie Hughes	37-37 —	74+2p
Russell Knox	37-37 —	74+2s
Hank Lebioda	34-40 —	74+2p
Patrick Martin	36-37 —	73+2m
Robert Garrigus	35-39 —	74+2p
Adam Long	38-36 —	74+2s
Fabian Gomez	36-37 —	73+2m
Steve Stricker	36-38 —	74+2s
Mark Hubbard	36-38 —	74+2p
Bo Van Pelt	38-37 —	75+3p
Sung Kang	39-35 —	74+3m
Smylie Kaufman	38-37 —	75+3s
K.J. Choi	35-39 —	74+3m
Kevin Na	42-33 —	75+3s
Rhein Gibson	35-39 —	74+3m
Scott de Borba	36-39 —	75+3p
Isaiah Salinda	37-37 —	74+3m
David Hearn	38-37 —	75+3s
Hunter Mahan	36-38 —	74+3m
Arjun Atwal	36-39 —	75+3s
Kramer Hickok	37-37 —	74+3m
Andrew Landry	37-39 —	76+4p
Chris Stroud	37-39 —	76+4s
Dominic Bozzelli	35-41 —	76+4p
Patrick Rodgers	39-37 —	76+4s
Scott Brown	38-39 —	77+5p
D.A. Points	37-40 —	77+5s
Shatosi Kodaira	37-39 —	76+5m
Si Woo Kim	38-39 —	77+5s
Kevin Stadler	36-41 —	77+6m
Austin Cook	42-36 —	78+6s
Sam Saunders	38-39 —	77+6m
Tim Herron	36-42 —	78+7m
David Duval	42-42 —	84+12p

TRANSACTIONS

BASEBALL
American League
BOSTON RED SOX – Assigned RHP Denyi Reyes outright to Pawtucket (IL).
MINNESOTA TWINS – Agreed to terms with RHPs Jhoulys Chacin and Ryan Garton, Cs Juan Graterol and Tomás Telis.
National League
LOS ANGELES DODGERS – Agreed to terms with INF Max Muncy on a three-year contract.
ST. LOUIS CARDINALS – Claimed LHP Ricardo Sánchez off waivers from Seattle.
BASKETBALL
National Basketball Association
ATLANTA HAWKS – Waived C Nene.
FOOTBALL
National Football League
INDIANAPOLIS COLTS – Named Brian Baker defensive line coach, Mike Groh receivers coach and Tyler Boyles assistant to the head coach. Reassigned Kevin Patullo to passing game specialist and Parks Frazier to offensive quality control coach.
TENNESSEE TITANS – Named Jim Haslett inside linebackers coach. Reassigned Ryan Crow to assistant special teams coach, Matt Edwards to defensive assistant coach.

DRUMMOND

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He has a great relationship with Pistons owner Tom Gores.

But the game changed on Drummond and the Pistons.

Teams prefer 3-point shooting at all five positions and Drummond is a traditional center, who lacks an offensive game outside the paint. And though he has improved defensively and is one of the league's best playmakers generating steals and blocks, he's not an elite rim protector such as Rudy Gobert.

Some fans grew weary of Drummond's inconsistent effort. It reached the nadir last season in Game 3 of the Bucks' four-game sweep of the Pistons in the first round of the playoffs, when a poor-performing Drummond was booed at Little Caesars Arena by fans.

Drummond still has value. He's a great rebounder and he has quick feet, a needed talent to defend pick-and-rolls.

But it's not worth the maximum five-year, $127 million contract he signed in the summer of 2016.

Drummond requested a contract extension last offseason. The Pistons countered, but it was less than the max.

Drummond has a $28.7 million player option for next season that he said he plans to decline, meaning he will hit the open market this summer.

He would try to sign a multi-year deal without much competition in what's considered a down year for teams looking to find big-time free agents.

TIGERS

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includes righty Matt Manning. It sounds like they will start the season at Triple-A, but they will be at spring training, and any sign of progress from them in 2020 will be welcome news for Detroit fans.

Minor league left-hander Tarik Skubal came on strong last year as well.

THEY'RE SET

There is no area on the Tigers that can't be improved, but the starting rotation could be respectable even without immediate help from the prospects. Matthew Boyd struck out 238 batters last year, and if he can reduce his number of home runs allowed, he could have a fine season.

In Boyd, Spencer Turnbull and Daniel Norris, the Tigers had three regular starters with ERAs between 4.49 and 4.61 last year. Not great by any means, but hardly the team's biggest problem.

THEY'RE NOT

The Tigers finished last in the American League in home runs and OPS and last in the majors in on-base percentage. Miguel Cabrera's decline was a big part of the problem. The 36-year-old Cabrera hit .282 but had a slugging percentage of only .398. Even after adding Schoop and Cron, this lineup isn't particularly intimidating.

ON DECK

The presence of Mize, Manning and Skubal makes spring training intriguing for Tigers fans, even if they might not be in the majors for a little while.

Cabrera, who is under contract through at least 2023, will also be under scrutiny.

Detroit opens the regular season at Cleveland on March 26.

SOX

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talent from 2018 to 2019, and getting to pitch against them when I was with the Braves was a big tell-tale sign. I think that's what really kind of drove me to say 'Hey, this team might be a good fit for me.'"

Pitchers and catchers report to Arizona on Feb. 12.

NEW LOOK

Nomar Mazara takes over in right field after he was acquired in a trade with Texas in December. Mazara, who turns 25 in April, has big-time power, but he was slowed by injuries the past two years.

ROOKIES TO WATCH

Luis Robert is so highly regarded he signed a $50 million, six-year contract before his major league debut. The 22-year-old outfielder batted .328 with 32 homers and 92 RBIs in the minors last year.

THEY'RE SET

Grandal and James McCann form what should be one of the top catching tandems in baseball. Grandal hit a career-high 28 homers for Milwaukee last season and is highly regarded for his framing skills. McCann made the All-Star team last year for the first time, and he played a key role in Giolito's breakout performance.

THEY'RE NOT

The possibilities for the back end of the rotation feature a mix of potential and concern. Reynaldo López struggled with inconsistency last season, allowing a major league-high 110 earned runs in 184 innings. Dylan Cease had a 5.79 ERA over his first 14 major league starts. Michael Kopech is coming off Tommy John surgery.

ON DECK

The situation at second base is worth watching. Nick Madrigal, who hit .311 over three minor league stops last year, could earn the starting job with a solid spring.

If he falters, the White Sox could go with Leury García or Danny Mendick when they host Kansas City on opening day March 26, and send Madrigal back to Triple-A Charlotte for more seasoning.

MLB

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it would be impractical. While football uses earpieces, helmets are much larger than baseball caps.

"It's much harder to design an earpiece that would be comfortable for players to wear in lieu of signs," he said, adding, "it's hard to be as fast as hand signals."

Astros owner Jim Crane did not attend the meetings. He is playing in the Pebble Beach Pro-Am golf tournament along with pitcher Justin Verlander this weekend.

On other matters:

METS SALE

Manfred says talks have ended over the proposed sale of a controlling share of the New York Mets from the families of Fred Wilpon and Saul Katz to hedge fund manager Steven Cohen.

COMPUTERIZED PLATE UMPIRES

Manfred said the automated balls and strikes system will have to be negotiated with the players' union before it is used in the major leagues. MLB is using the system at nine ballparks of the Class A Florida State League this year and will test it during big league spring training without using it in exhibition games.

"It's fair to assume that we're going to continue to test at increasingly significant levels of play to make sure we've got it right before we bring it to the major leagues," he said.

OLYMPICS

Manfred said MLB was discussing whether to make some 40-man roster players available for the Americas Olympic qualifying tournament in Arizona from March 22-26.

"The timing's a little difficult there," he said.

Using a team with no 40-man players and few top prospects, the U.S. was three outs from qualifying at the Premier12 tournament last November but wasted a ninth-inning lead against Mexico and lost in 10 innings.

"We are going to make every effort to field as competitive a team as possible," Manfred.

MINOR LEAGUE BASEBALL

Owners were given an update on MLB's proposal to eliminate 42 minor league affiliates in negotiations for a Professional Baseball Agreement with the National Association of Professional Baseball Leagues, the governing body of the minors. Talks are set to resume Feb. 20. The current deal expires after this season.

"There is unanimous support among the owners for the objectives and the strategy that we're pursuing with respect to this negotiation, in particular our objectives of modernizing minor league baseball, improving the working conditions of the players who play there," Manfred said. "I'm hopeful that the minor league negotiating committee is able to get a consensus among its constituents, a consensus that's strong enough that they can make us finally a written proposal that's supported by their membership."

GAMBLING

MLB may alter its regulations on team owners and casino gambling in a manner that could affect the Ilitch family. Different members of the family control the Detroit Tigers and a casino.

EXECUTIVE COUNCIL

Los Angeles Dodgers chairman Mark Walter and Detroit Tigers chairman Christopher Ilitch were appointed to the executive council following the end of the four-year terms of Chicago Cubs chairman Tom Ricketts and Tampa Bay Rays principal owner Stu Sternberg. The council also includes Crane; San Diego's Ron Fowler (whose terms expire in 2021); Milwaukee's Mark Attanasio; Jerry Reinsdorf of the Chicago White Sox (2022); Boston's John Henry; and Colorado's Dick Monfort (2023).

NBA

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struck on either Wednesday or Thursday – the biggest move likely being the one Thursday that saw Andrew Wiggins going from Minnesota to the Warriors so D'Angelo Russell could leave Golden State finally be paired with his good friend Karl-Anthony Towns with the Timberwolves.

Here's how busy the Timberwolves were at trade-deadline time: They announced the jersey numbers of eight new players Thursday night.

Marcus Morris leaves New York for Los Angeles, going from the woebegone Knicks to the title-hoping Clippers – who added a piece many teams wanted.

"My brother back with me. It's on," the Clippers' Patrick Beverley wrote on Twitter, one of many players expressing their happiness with Morris joining the West contenders.

The rest of that deal:

The Knicks got Moe Harkless, a first-round pick this year, a second-round pick next year and a first-round pick swap option in 2021 as well from the Clippers. The Clippers also sent Jerome Robinson to Washington for Isaiah Thomas – who is not staying with Los Angeles and will become a free agent option for teams shortly, the latest twist in a career that saw him as an All-Star averaging 29 points just three years ago but was derailed by injury and a long recovery.

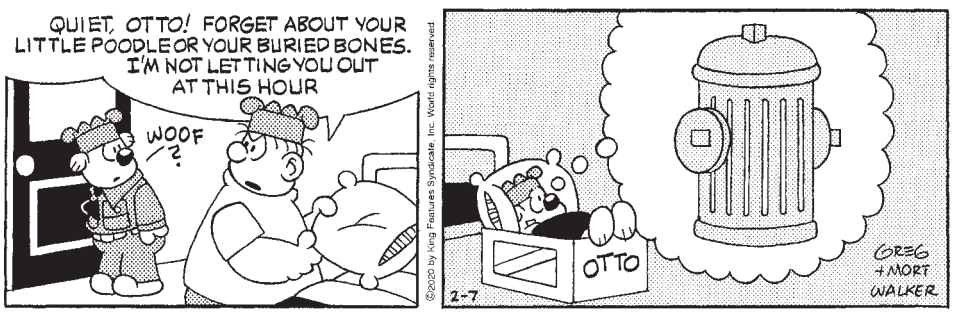
Three-time champion Andre Iguodala is ending his exile after not playing for Memphis at all this season and is going to join the Heat along with Jae Crowder and Solomon Hill, with Miami sending three players – Justise Winslow, Dion Waiters and James Johnson – who've combined to score a mere 254 points this season out in the deal. Johnson was flipped by the Grizzlies to Minnesota for Gorgui Dieng.

"Today is a very good day because we think the acquisition of Andre, Jae and Solomon will help us with our versatility and create a more balanced roster," Heat President Pat Riley said. "Today is also a sad day because we lose three very good players who have been part of our family. We wish Justise, James and Dion nothing but the best in the future."

The Warriors decided to make the Russell-for-Wiggins move, giving Wiggins a fresh start that he likely needs – the former No. 1 overall pick will get to reap the benefits of playing alongside a healthy and rejuvenated Stephen Curry, Klay Thompson and Draymond Green starting next season.

And by throwing in a couple extra players, the Warriors also will likely escape the luxury tax this season.

BEETLE BAILEY


QUIET, OTTO! FORGET ABOUT YOUR LITTLE POODLE OR YOUR BURIED BONES. I'M NOT LETTING YOU OUT AT THIS HOUR
WOOF ?
OTTO
GREG + MORT WALKER
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BLONDIE

BUMSTEAD, WHAT COULD POSSIBLY BE MORE IMPORTANT TO READ ON COMPANY TIME THAN THAT STACK OF CONTRACTS?
IT'S A TERRIFIC INSPIRATIONAL BOOK, BOSS!
IT'S CALLED "GETTING RICH BY THINKING RICH"
I HAVE AN EVEN MORE INSPIRATIONAL BOOK THAT MIGHT MOTIVATE YOU, BUMSTEAD
IT'S CALLED "GOING BROKE BY GETTING FIRED FOR BEING A USELESS OFFICE MANAGER"!
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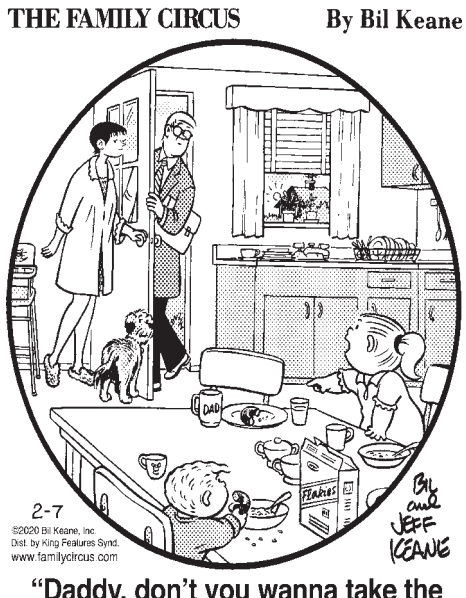
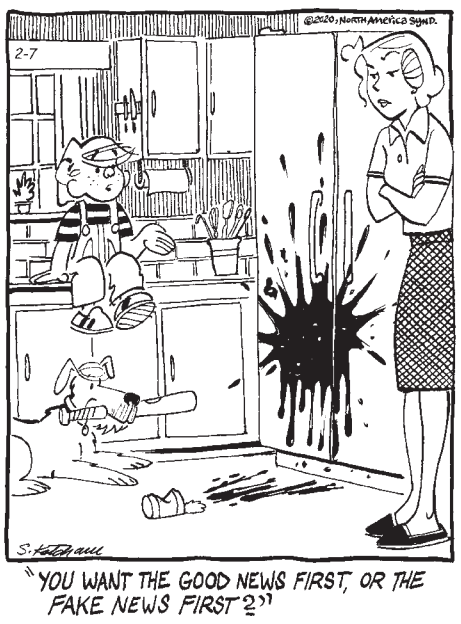
FAMILY CIRCUS



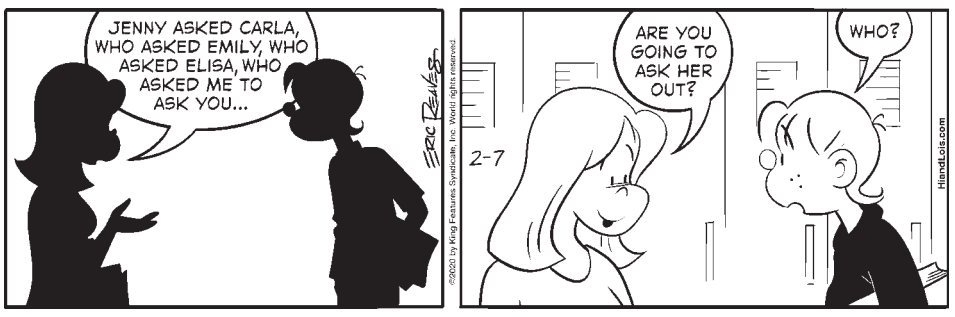
"Daddy, don't you wanna take the other half of your doughnut to eat at recess?"

DENNIS THE MENACE



"YOU WANT THE GOOD NEWS FIRST, OR THE FAKE NEWS FIRST?"

HI & LOIS


JENNY ASKED CARLA, WHO ASKED EMILY, WHO ASKED ELISA, WHO ASKED ME TO ASK YOU...
ERIC REYES
ARE YOU GOING TO ASK HER OUT?
WHO?
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HiandLois.com

BABY BLUES

WE WANT TO PLAY IN THE SNOW! WE WANT TO PLAY IN THE SNOW!
OKAY! OKAY!
ON SATURDAY, WE'LL DRIVE TO THE MOUNTAIN SO YOU CAN PLAY IN THE SNOW!
YAY!
WE SHOULD'VE PUSHED FOR A TRIP TO DISNEYLAND, TOO.
ONE SURRENDER AT A TIME.
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BC

CURTIS

I KNOW YOU'RE A PROUD MAN, A MAN WHO NEVER ASKS FOR OR ACCEPTS HELP...
BUT IF THERE'S ANYTHING, DON'T HESITATE TO-
HAM SANDWICH ON TOAST, NO CRUSTS, LETTUCE, MAYO, CUT DIAGONALLY, DONUT-GLAZED PREFERABLY- AND COFFEE.
HE DIDN'T HESITATE
CREAM AND TWO SUGARS!
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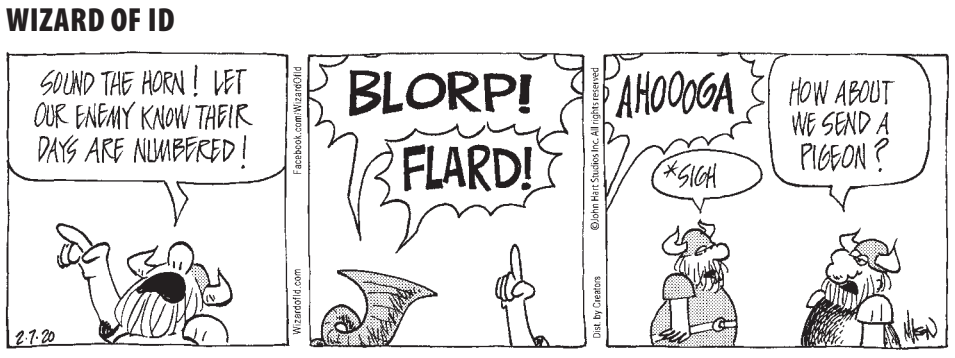
WIZARD OF ID



ZITS

JEREMY, THAT SHIRT IS SO WRINKLED!
YEAH, BUT I'M NO GOOD AT IRONING.
DO YOU WANT ME TO SHOW YOU HOW AGAIN?
OH, WOW! THAT'D BE GREAT!
YOU'RE GOING TO HAVE TO GET BETTER AT THIS.
AT IRONING OR PLAYING YOU?
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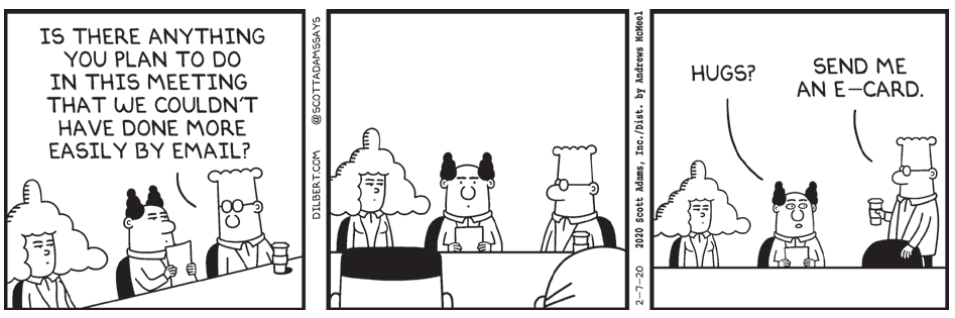
DILBERT



HAGAR THE HORRIBLE

I KNOW EXACTLY WHAT I'M GIVING YOU FOR YOUR BIRTHDAY!
GREAT! WHO TOLD YOU I REALLY WANT A DIAMOND NECKLACE?
MY TRICKY WIFE JUST DID!
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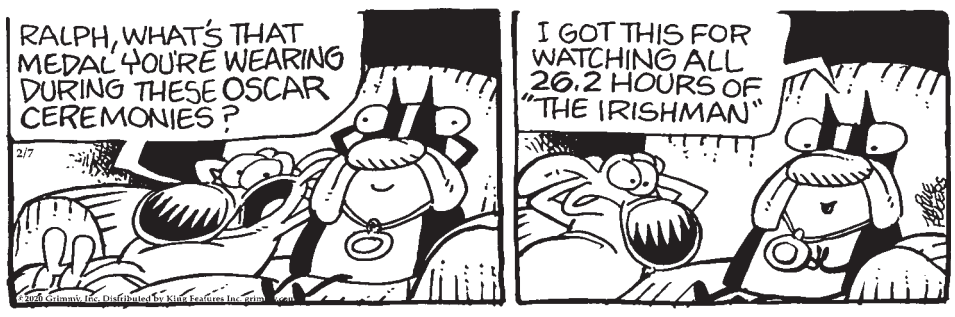
GARFIELD

MOTHER GOOSE & GRIMM


RALPH, WHAT'S THAT MEDAL YOU'RE WEARING DURING THESE OSCAR CEREMONIES?
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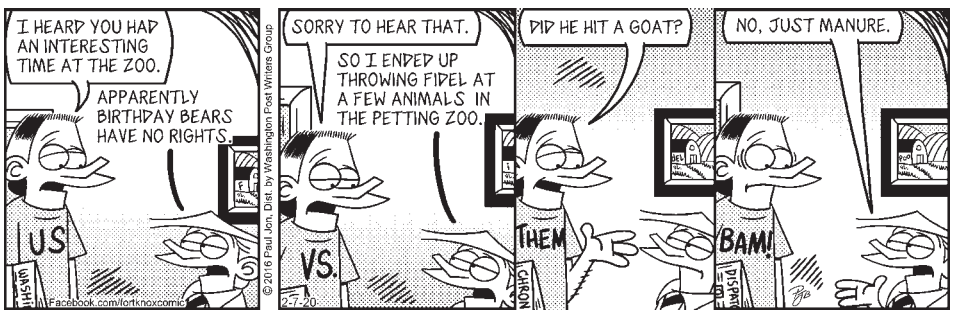
I GOT THIS FOR WATCHING ALL 26.2 HOURS OF "THE IRISHMAN"

FORT KNOX


I HEARD YOU HAD AN INTERESTING TIME AT THE ZOO.
APPARENTLY BIRTHDAY BEARS HAVE NO RIGHTS.
US
SORRY TO HEAR THAT.
SO I ENDED UP THROWING FIDEL AT A FEW ANIMALS IN THE PETTING ZOO.
VS.
DID HE HIT A GOAT?
NO, JUST MANURE.
THEM
BAM!
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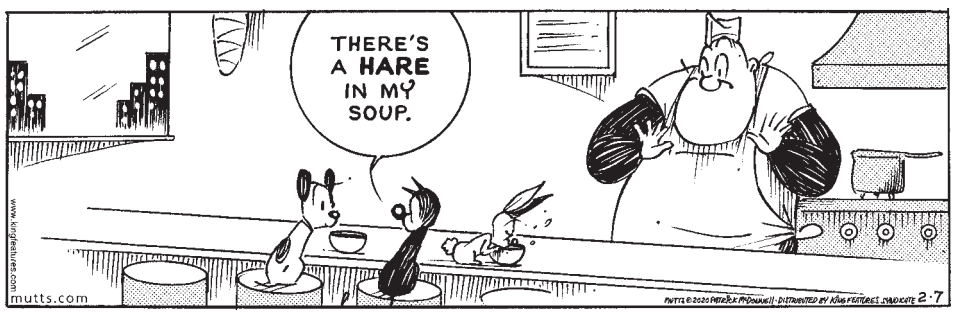
MUTTS



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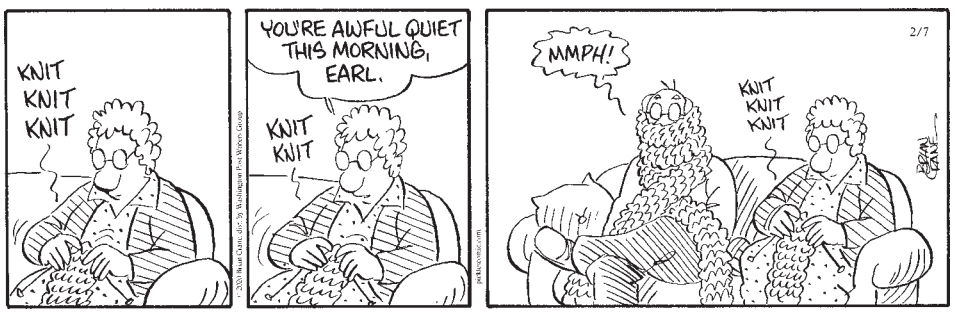
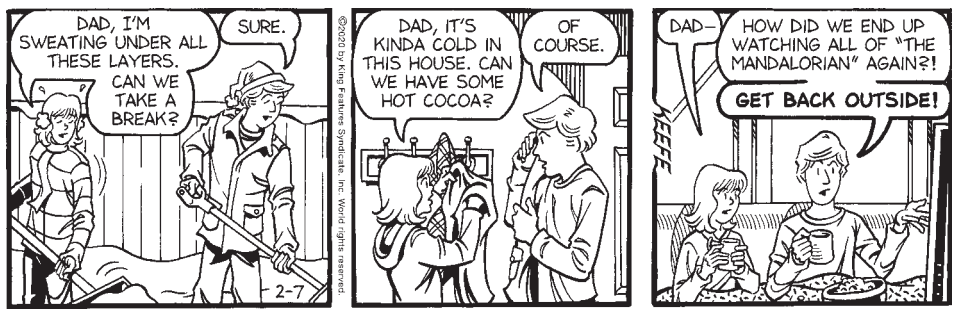


SALLY FORTH


DAD, I'M SWEATING UNDER ALL THESE LAYERS. CAN WE TAKE A BREAK?
SURE.
DAD, IT'S KINDA COLD IN THIS HOUSE. CAN WE HAVE SOME HOT COCOA?
OF COURSE.
DAD-
HOW DID WE END UP WATCHING ALL OF "THE MANDALORIAN" AGAIN?!
GET BACK OUTSIDE!
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PRIME TIME TV

FRIDAY EVENING FEB. 7

	7:30	8 PM	8:30	9 PM	9:30	10 PM	10:30
ABC 7 13 41 57	Wheel of Fortune	ABC News: The Democratic Debate Democratic presidential hopefuls debate. (N) (L) CC					
CBS 2 3 22	Ent. Tonight	MacGyver ((SP)) (N) CC		Hawaii Five-0 (N) CC		Blue Bloods A retired mobster is recruited.	
NBC 5 8 16	Ac. Hollywood	Lincoln Rhyme-Bone Collector		Dateline NBC (N) CC			
FOX 17 22 28 32	Modern Family	WWE Friday Night SmackDown (N) (L) CC				Fox 17 News at 10:00PM (N) CC	
PBS 34	Overheard	Washington Week	Firing-Hoover	Country Music Artists are drawn to Nashville, Tenn. CC (DVS)			
CW 25	Big Bang Theory	Charmed "Needs to Know" (N) CC		Dynasty Blake is all alone in the mansion.		News	Seinfeld CC
MNT 50	Family Feud (N)	Chicago P.D. CC		CSI: Miami "Blood Lust" CC		CSI: Miami "Hunting Ground" CC	
WCIU 26	Mike & Molly	Charmed "Needs to Know" (N) CC		Dynasty Blake is all alone in the mansion.		2 Broke Girls	2 Broke Girls
WHME 46	:00 Heartland	Heartland "Lost and Gone Forever"		Highway to Heaven "Time in a Bottle"		The List (N) CC	Celebrity Page (N)
WGN 9	News	Chicago Auto Show (N) CC		Last Man Standing	Last Man Standing	WGN News at Nine (N) (L) CC	
A&E	5:00 Live PD CC	:07 Live PD: Rewind (N) CC		Live PD "Live PD -- 02.07.20" (N) (L) CC			
AMC	:00 ✌ ★★★ The Green Mile ('99, Drama) Tom Hanks, David Morse. A condemned prisoner possesses a miraculous healing power. CC						
Animal	Tanked	Tanked: Sea-Lebrity Edition (N) CC				Tanked CC	
BET	Single	✌ ★★ Daddy's Little Girls ('07) Gabrielle Union. CC					
Big Ten	College Hockey		Break	College Wrestling Penn State at Wisconsin.			
Bravo	Chrisley Knows	Chrisley Knows	Chrisley Knows	Chrisley Knows	Chrisley Knows	Chrisley Knows	Chrisley Knows
Cartoon	Gumball	Home	Burgers	Burgers	Rick	American	American
Cinemax	6:20 ✌ ★★★ The Pledge ('01) CC		:25 ✌ ★★★ The Old Man & the Gun ('18) Robert Redford.			Strike Back CC	
CMT	Last Man	Last Man	Last Man	✌ ★★ Miracles From Heaven ('16) CC			
CNBC	Shark	Shark Tank CC		Shark Tank CC		Shark Tank	
CNN	OutFront	Anderson Cooper		Cuomo Prime Time		CNN Tonight	
Comedy	South Pk	South Pk	South Pk	South Pk	The Comedy Central Roast		
Discovery	Gold Rush: Pay	Gold Rush "Rebellion At Duncan Creek" The problems keep mounting up for Rick. (N) CC					
Disney	Alvin	Bunk'd	Gabby	Bunk'd	Gabby	Coop	Sydney
DIY	Barnwood	Building Off the Grid		Building Off the Grid		Building Off the Grid	
E!	6:00 ✌ Superbad		✌ ★★★ Wedding Crashers ('05) Owen Wilson.				
ESPN	NBA	NBA Basketball Toronto Raptors at Indiana Pacers. (N)					Basket
ESPN2	College Basketball			College Basketball South Alabama at Troy.			
ESPNC	Football	College Football From Oct. 22, 2011.				College Football	
Food	Diners	Diners	Diners	Diners	Diners	Diners	Diners
Fox News	The Story	Tucker Carlson		Hannity (N) CC		The Ingraham Angle	
Fox Sports	NHL Hockey: Red Wings at Blue Jackets				Red Wings Live (N)		Focused
Freefrm	Beetlejuice ('88)	Family Guy	Family Guy	Family Guy	Family Guy	Family Guy	Family Guy
FX	6:00 ✌ ★★ The Fate of the Furious ('17) Vin Diesel. CC			✌ ★★ Kingsman: The Golden Circle ('17) Colin Firth, Julianne Moore. CC			
Golf	PGA Golf				Golf LPGA & European Tour:		
Hallmark	Love by Chance	✌ Cooking With Love ('18, Comedy) Ali Liebert, Brett Dalton, Janet Kidder. CC				✌ Christmas at the Plaza ('19) CC	
HBO	:00 ✌ ★★ Aquaman ('18, Action) Jason Momoa, Amber Heard, Willem Dafoe. CC				Shop: Unintrp.	Real Time With Bill Maher (N) CC	
History	Aliens	Ancient Aliens: Declassified Mysterious Bluestone circle. CC					
HGTV	Dream	Dream	Dream	Dream	Dream	Dream	Dream
Learning	90 Day	Dr. Pimple Popper		Feet-Killing Me		My 600-Lb. Life (N)	
Lifetime	:00 Supernanny	Supernanny Children rule the roost. CC		Supernanny "Andersen Family" (N)		:03 Supernanny "Ostler Family" CC	
MSNBC	Hardball	All In With		Rachel Maddow		The Last Word	
MTV	Ridic.	Ridic.	Ridic.	Ridic.	Ridic.	Ridiculousness	
NBCSCH	Sports	NBA G League Basketball: Nets at Bulls				All Ac	Sports
NFL	NFL Total	A Football Life		A Football Life		A Football Life	
Nick	Maze	Substitute	Henry	Sponge.	Sponge.	Friends	Friends
NGEO	Lockup	Lockup: New Jersey		To Catch a Smuggler		To Catch a Smuggler	
Oxygen	Dateline: Secrets	Dateline: Secrets Uncovered (N) CC		Snapped "Shajia Ayobi" CC		Snapped A young father goes missing.	
Parmt	Two Men	✌ ★★★ Django Unchained ('12) Jamie Foxx. (P). CC					
Showtime	House Party ('90)	:05 ✌ ★★★ Boyz N the Hood ('91) Larry Fishburne, Ice Cube. (P). CC				Mo'Nique & Friends: Live From Atlanta (N)	
Starz	:07 Power CC	:06 Power "Three Moves Ahead" CC		:07 Power "Time's Up" CC		:08 Power "Ghost Is Dead" CC	
STZENC	:16 ✌ ★★★ Rocky Balboa ('06) Sylvester Stallone. CC			✌ ★★★ In the Line of Fire ('93) Clint Eastwood, John Malkovich. CC			
SyFy	5:29 ✌ ★★★ Harry Potter and the Goblet of Fire ('05)			✌ ★★ The Magnificent Seven ('16) Denzel Washington, Chris Pratt. CC (DVS)			
TBS	:00 ✌ ★★ The Scorpion King ('02) The Rock. CC			✌ ★★ Star Wars: The Phantom Menace ('99) Liam Neeson. CC (DVS)			
TCM	Sweet Bird-Yth	✌ ★★★★ Interiors ('78, Drama) Diane Keaton, Geraldine Page, E.G. Marshall. CC				✌ ★★★★ Annie Hall ('77) CC	
TMC	★ Winchester	✌ ★★★ The King's Speech ('10) Colin Firth, Geoffrey Rush. CC				✌ ★★★ Gosford Park ('01) CC	
TNT	:00 Bones	✌ ★★ Central Intelligence ('16, Action)				:15 ✌ Get Hard	
Travel	Kindred	Kindred Spirits (N)		Kindred Spirits (N)		Ghost Loop (N)	
TV Land	Andy G.	Raymond	Raymond	Raymond	Raymond	King	King
USA	Modern Family	Modern Family	Modern Family	Modern Family	Modern Family	Modern Family	Modern Family
VH1	✌ ★★★ Pretty Woman ('90) Richard Gere. CC					✌ ★ Blended	
WGN-A	Last Man Standing	Last Man Standing	Last Man Standing	Last Man Standing	Last Man Standing	Last Man Standing	Last Man Standing

No need to use rubbing alcohol on cuts

Elizabeth Ko & Eve Glazier
Ask the Doctors

DEAR DOCTOR: I was helping with Thanksgiving dinner when the paring knife slipped and sliced my finger. My aunt said to clean the cut with rubbing alcohol, which we didn't have. I've always heard you're supposed hold it under running water. How do you fix a cut?

DEAR READER: Your aunt isn't alone in thinking that a cut should be cleaned with rubbing alcohol, but that's not a good method. Rubbing alcohol is a clear liquid made up of approximately 70 percent denatured ethanol or isopropanol, and it is used topically in medical settings to clean injection or surgical sites. It's highly effective due to its chemical properties, which break down the fat-based external membranes of bacteria, killing them. But in these cases, the alcohol is used on skin that is intact. When applied to an open wound, rubbing alcohol can cause tissue damage and actually slow the healing process. This also holds true for hydrogen peroxide, another common go-to disinfectant.

Instead, the best way to clean a cut is to apply a mild soap and hold it under a slow stream of cool or cold running water. Leave it there for at least five minutes. This gently cleanses the wound, and the cool water temperature causes the capillaries to constrict, which helps to slow bleeding. By doing this, you accomplish the first step of caring for a cut – or any type of wound – which is to stop the bleeding.

A cut may continue to bleed after you have finished cleaning it. If this happens, apply firm and steady pressure. Be sure that the cloth or gauze you use is completely clean, otherwise you risk reintroducing debris or potentially infectious materials into the wound. If the cut is deep enough and the blood soaks through the cloth or bandage, don't remove it. You risk dislodging the clot that has begun to form. Instead, add a fresh and clean absorbent layer, and resume applying pressure to the cut.

When the bleeding stops, apply an antibiotic ointment. This helps to prevent infection and to keep the wound moist and lubricated. This last is important to optimal healing, and brings us to another myth about wound care. Despite what you may have heard, you don't want to "air out" a wound. This encourages the formation of a scab or a crust, which can crack open and become infected. Instead, continue to use the antibiotic ointment, and keep the wound covered with a clean bandage. Once healing has progressed enough that the wound has closed and a scar has formed, continue to keep the area clean and intact.

While it's safe to treat most minor cuts at home, get professional medical help for cuts with ragged rather than clean edges, when it's deep enough that bone is visible, and when significant bleeding persists. Any type of puncture wound, which has a high risk of infection, should also be seen by a medical professional. Fever, red streaking, swelling, yellow or green pus, and excessive fluid are signs of infection and require immediate medical care.

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Moving into an unwelcoming neighborhood

Carolyn Hax

DEAR CAROLYN: My husband and I are building our dream home where we will eventually retire. It is on a waterfront lot in a lovely community. We built our dock before the lot was cleared for construction. Neighbors from all sides converged to express their upset and dismay that we built a dock and plan to get a boat. Basically, they had all hoped that the last remaining lot would stay undeveloped.

We abided by all the HOA's strict rules for the dock and had approval to build.

One neighbor now emails us myriad concerns regarding the house we are beginning to build. We are building in compliance with all the HOA laws and regulations.

I am shocked and hurt at how we have been treated.

How do we fit into a neighborhood where our presence is so unwelcomed? – **Unwelcomed**

Your *structure* is unwelcome. You as people don't factor in yet.

They may carry that over to resenting you, but let's not get ahead of ourselves.

You all clearly value this lovely community and waterfront property, so you all have more in common than in conflict. A difficult perspective to maintain as a neighbor pelts you with accusations of bad faith – I'd be furious, full disclosure – but it's worth a try.

I also suggest a mental exercise that will sound odd, but, stay with me:

Imagine this not as developing a lot, but instead as announcing a pregnancy. Imagine telling people you love and, instead of, "Congratulations!" getting a negative response.

It happens, right? People worry about the parents' relationship or health or finances or stress or whatever and forget they're just supposed to say, "Yay!"? Right. Deeply hurt feelings ensue.

Yet the baby's coming regardless. That gives a deeply hurt expectant parent two choices: 1) Hold a permanent grudge – ultimately at the baby's expense – against people who reacted poorly; 2) Try to think of any understandable reason people didn't immediately say "yay!," then forgive them for it, then release the grudge.

Is there any real choice but No. 2?

I bothered with this weird example because it's basically the same thing, but without the baggage of your real feelings: You're deeply hurt by your hostile reception, but they see their own concerns – in this case, a painful goodbye to the undeveloped lot they all got to enjoy.

It was never theirs, of course, but its pleasures were. So the first reaction of many was to be upset.

Understandable, right?

If so, then acknowledge the validity of their feelings and *forgive them*. Because the baby's coming regardless.

You can't make anyone welcome you, but if you hope to feel any joy in your retirement community-to-be, then you need to release your anger and be friendly. This and your absolute compliance with the HOA rules are the only parts you control.

As for those rules, respond warmly to every neighbor's every concern, in fact and in writing: "Thank you for your concern. We will confirm we are following the HOA regulations." An attorney at the ready is advisable, but *only* if someone else chooses to escalate.

Most important, when your home is ready: "We'd love to have you over for ... " let's say brunch. Nothing heals all wounds, but time comes close, and brunch speaks for itself.

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ACROSS
1 Bear constellation
5 Infuriated
8 Wish for
12 Largest of the Marianas
13 Yes, to Pierre
14 Girlfriend in Cannes
15 Rescue
16 No —, ands or buts
17 Ceremonial garb
18 Views as
20 Office furniture
22 Nonsense!
23 Turkish honorific
24 Plant firmly
27 Important person
30 Call — — cab
31 Switch positions
32 French monarch
34 Web addr.
35 — out (relax)
37 Chicago airport code
38 Parish priests
40 Scourges
42 Hotfoot it
43 Chatter
44 White, in Paris
46 More scarce
49 Jokey magic word
50 T, in Athens
52 All excited
54 Blackthorn fruit
55 Bonn single
56 "Soft Watches" painter
57 Sorts
58 Prohibited insecticide
59 Paradise

DOWN
1 Nasty!
2 Felt sorry about
3 Red-tag event
4 Unit of current
5 Clammy
6 — Wiedersehen
7 Spurn
8 City in Poland
9 In a frenzy
10 Robin beaks
11 Links gizmo
19 Trendy
21 Future turtles
24 Flightless bird
25 TV's — Griffin
26 Island near Java
27 Cranberry locales
28 Metallic element
29 Mr. Vidal
33 Egos' counterparts
35 Arrogant
36 Built
39 Makes sore by rubbing
40 Meadow murmur
41 Scrape
43 Foot soldier
44 Seed pod
45 Peek
47 By Jove!
48 Part in a drama
49 Frat letter
51 Relief
53 Tonic partner

Answer to Previous Puzzle

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JUMBLE

Unscramble these Jumbles, one letter to each square, to form four ordinary words.

LAHCK

NOPGR

ZARLIE

SOLMYT

Looking good!
I wonder what they'll end up calling it.
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THE ARCHITECT WHO DESIGNED THE PENTAGON WAS EXCITED TO SEE THE STRUCTURE ---
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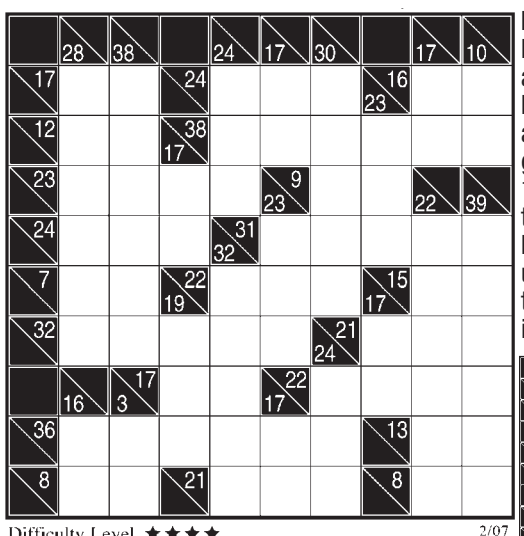
Now arrange the circled letters to form the surprise answer, as suggested by the above cartoon.

(Answers tomorrow)

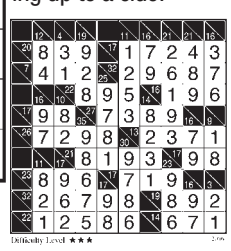
Yesterday's Jumbles: ABATE LOOPY COARSE GOTCHA
Answer: The mobile hot dog vendor did a great business selling everything — A LA "CART"

KAKURO



Difficulty Level ★★★★ 2/07

How to play: Numbers above the slash are across clues; numbers below the slash are down clues. The goal is to enter digits 1-9 in the white cells to add up to the number clues. You cannot use any digit more than once when adding up to a clue.



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BRIDGE

Bruce Dickinson, who is best known as the lead singer for the heavy metal band Iron Maiden, said, "One of my earliest ventures was when I was 9 years old. I realized there was a shortage of pencils at school, so I started Rent-a-Pencil. But I made a fundamental mistake. Everybody stole my pencils."

Declarer should always try not to have any of his tricks stolen by the defenders. In today's deal, how should South play in three no-trump after West leads the heart queen?

South's opening bid is close. But these days, most players, liking the full complement of aces, would open two no-trump. If you are going to make this upgrade, make sure that your hand contains at least three aces and one king or two aces and three kings.

Declarer starts with five top tricks outside of clubs (two spades, two hearts and one diamond), so needs four winners from the lowest-ranking suit. But how should he proceed?

If clubs are 2-2 or 3-1, everything sensible works. But what if they are 4-0?

If West has four, cashing the club ace first is fine. But that is not the case when East has all of them.

South must realize that this is not a finessing position. Instead, he should win trick one (don't risk a diamond shift) and lead a low club toward the board.

When West discards, declarer plays dummy's jack. East takes the trick and returns a heart (or the diamond king). South wins, plays a spade to the king, returns a club to his nine, cashes the club ace, runs the suit and pencils plus 600 into his scorecard.

North 02-07-20
♠ K 6
♥ 7 3 2
♦ 7 6 2
♣ Q J 7 6 2

West
♠ J 7 5 4
♥ Q J 10 9 8
♦ J 9 4 3
♣ —

East
♠ Q 9 8 2
♥ 6 5
♦ K Q 10
♣ K 10 8 3

South
♠ A 10 3
♥ A K 4
♦ A 8 5
♣ A 9 5 4

Dealer: South
Vulnerable: Both

South	West	North	East
2NT	Pass	3NT	All Pass

Opening lead: ♥ Q

SUDOKU

DIFFICULTY RATING: ★★★★☆

		1		5	4			7
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	3		2	9			5	
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	1			6				5
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		8	4					
2			5	8		1		

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How to play: Complete the grid so that every row, column and 3x3 box contains every digit from 1 to 9.

PREVIOUS SOLUTION

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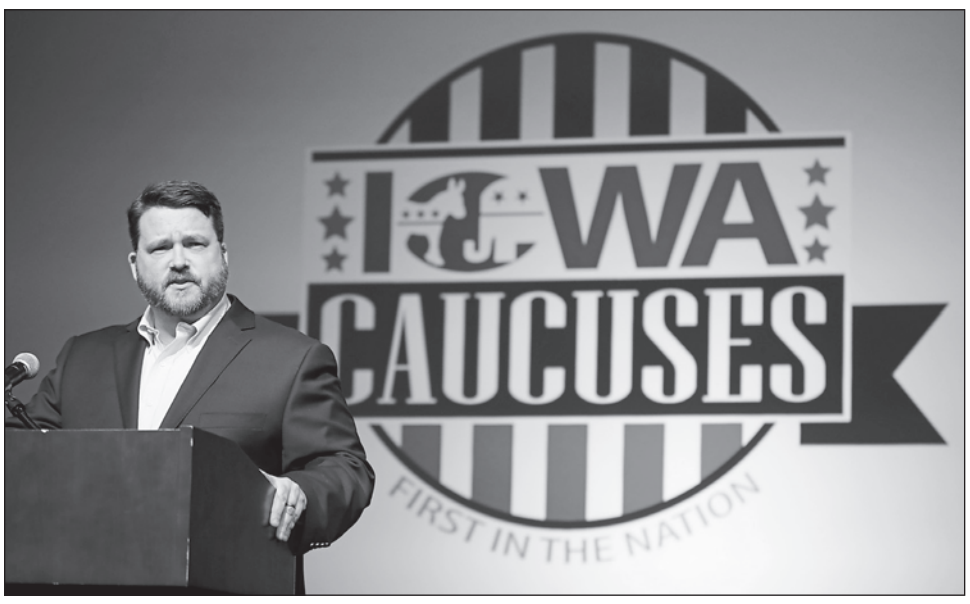

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Iowa Democratic Party chairman Troy Price speaks about the delay in Iowa caucus results Tuesday, in Des Moines, Iowa.

DNC chair calls for 'recanvass' of Iowa results after delays

By STEVE PEOPLES, JULIE PACE and BRIAN SLODYSKO
Associated Press

WASHINGTON — The chairman of the Democratic National Committee on Thursday called for a "recanvass" of the results of the Iowa caucuses, saying it was needed to "assure public confidence" after three days of technical issues and delays.

"Enough is enough," party leader Tom Perez wrote on Twitter.

With 97 percent of precincts reporting, Pete Buttigieg, a former mayor of South Bend, Indiana, and Vermont Sen. Bernie Sanders are nearly tied for the lead, and both candidates have declared themselves victorious.

The Associated Press said Thursday that it is unable to declare a winner in the contest. Beyond technical issues and Perez's concerns, the Iowa Democratic Party has yet to report results from some satellite caucus sites, from which there are still an unknown number of state delegate equivalents to be won.

The state party apologized for technical glitches with an app that slowed down reporting of results from Monday's caucuses and has spent the week trying to verify results. However, it was unclear if the party planned to follow the directive of the national leader to recanvass those results, a process that would likely require state officials to review caucus math worksheets completed at more than 1,600 caucus sites to ensure the calculations were done correctly and matched the reported results.

Iowa chairman Troy Price suggested in a statement Thursday that he would only pursue a recanvass if one was requested by a campaign.

The caucus crisis was an embarrassing twist after months of promoting Iowa as a chance for Democrats to find some clarity in a jumbled 2020 field. Instead, after a buildup that featured seven rounds of debates, nearly $1 billion spent nationwide and a year of political jockeying, caucus day ended with no winner and no official results.

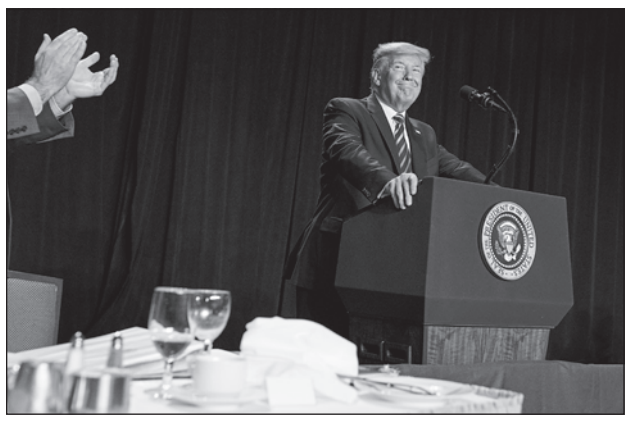
Campaigning in New Hampshire, Sanders called the Iowa Democratic Party's management of the caucuses a "screw-up" that has been "extremely unfair" to the candidates and their supporters.

"I really do feel bad for the people of Iowa," said Sanders, who added that it was "an outrage that they were that unprepared."

Iowa marked the first contest in a primary season that will span all 50 states and several U.S. territories, ending at the party's national convention in July.

After acquittal, Trump unleashes fury at impeachment

By JILL COLVIN, JONATHAN LEMIRE and ZEKE MILLER
Associated Press



Evan Vucci / AP

President Donald Trump smiles as he arrives to speak at the 68th annual National Prayer Breakfast, at the Washington Hilton in Washington on Thursday.

WASHINGTON — Exulting in his impeachment acquittal, a defiant President Donald Trump took a scorched-earth victory lap Thursday, unleashing his fury against those who tried to remove him from office and pointing ahead to his reelection campaign.

Trump, triumphantly waving a newspaper front page – "ACQUITTED" – declared the impeachment proceedings a "disgrace" and portrayed himself as a victim of political foes he labeled "scum," "sleaze bags" and "horrible" people. Hours earlier, he unleashed broadsides that stunned the crowd at an annual prayer breakfast.

"It was evil, it was corrupt," Trump declared at the White House. "This should never ever happen to another president, ever."

He conceded nothing in regard to charges that he improperly withheld U.S. military aid in an effort to pressure Ukraine to investigate Democratic foe Joe Biden and other political matters.

"We went through hell, unfairly," he insisted. "We did nothing wrong."

Venting for more than an hour, Trump railed against the impeachment process and ticked off names of the "vicious and mean" people he felt had wronged him: House Speaker Nancy Pelosi, Intelligence Committee Chairman Adam Schiff and former FBI Director James Comey. But then he reveled in the 52-48 verdict on the abuse of power article of impeachment delivered by the GOP-controlled Senate the day before.

"Now we have that gorgeous word. I never thought it would sound so good," Trump said. "It's called 'total acquittal.'"

As Trump spoke, the White House East Room was packed with hundreds of supporters. Among them: Republican senators who voted to acquit him, Cabinet members and staunch House allies.

Trump's at-times angry speech pushed beyond his State of the Union address two nights earlier, during which he stuck to the script and made no mention of impeachment. Not using a teleprompter this time, Trump delivered rambling remarks saluting "a great group of warriors," name-checking GOP lawmakers who had backed him both in the Capitol and on television.

He declared that the Republican Party had never been more unified and predicted momentum from the acquittal would carry him to reelection this November. But he also predicted that he may have to fend off another impeachment challenge, perhaps for something as trivial as jaywalking.

"We'll probably have to do it again because these people have gone stone-cold crazy," the president said.

Earlier, speaking from a stage where he was joined by congressional leaders, including Democratic House Speaker Nancy Pelosi, who led the impeachment charge against him, Trump shattered the usual veneer of bipartisanship at the National Prayer Breakfast in Washington.

"As everybody knows, my family, our great country and your president have been put through a terrible ordeal by some very dishonest and corrupt people," Trump said at the annual event.

"They have done everything possible to destroy us and by so doing very badly hurt our nation," said Trump, again holding up newspapers with banner "ACQUITTED" headlines.

Francois Mori / AP

French lab scientists in hazmat gear inserting liquid in test tube manipulate potentially infected patient samples at Pasteur Institute in Paris on Thursday. Scientists at the Pasteur Institute developed and shared a quick test for the new virus that is spreading worldwide, and are using genetic information about the coronavirus to develop a potential vaccine and treatments.

Experts scramble, but new virus vaccine may not come in time

By LAURAN NEERGAARD
Associated Press

WASHINGTON — The flu-like virus that exploded from China has researchers worldwide once again scrambling to find a vaccine against a surprise health threat, with no guarantee one will arrive in time.

Just days after Chinese scientists shared the genetic map of the culprit coronavirus, researchers at the U.S. National Institutes of Health had engineered a possible key ingredient for a vaccine they hope to begin testing by April.

Scientists from Australia to France, along with a list of biotech and vaccine companies, jumped in the race, pursuing different types of inoculations.

And Texas researchers froze an experimental vaccine developed too late to fight an earlier coronavirus – SARS, or severe acute respiratory syndrome – but are pushing U.S. and Chinese authorities to give it a try this time around. Because the new virus is a close cousin of SARS, it just might protect, said Dr. Peter Hotez of Baylor College of Medicine and Texas Children's Hospital.

All that work is coming at lightning speed compared to past outbreaks. Yet many experts agree it still may take a year – if every step along the way goes well – for any vaccine to be ready for widespread use. That's if it's even needed by then.

Globally, more than 28,000 people are infected and the death toll climbed past 560. The overwhelming majority are in China, but more than 200 people with the illness have been reported in over two dozen other countries.

For now, health officials are isolating the sick to fight spread of the virus, which causes fever, cough and in severe cases pneumonia. With no specific treatment, some doctors also are experimenting with antiviral medicines developed for other conditions.

"Ours is already manufactured and could take off pretty quickly," said Hotez, who created the earlier SARS vaccine with Texas Children's colleague Maria Elena Bottazzi. But "there's still no road map for what you do to make a vaccine in the midst of a devastating public health outbreak."

NIH specialists say rather than chasing outbreaks, it's time to pursue prototype vaccine designs that could work for entire virus families, ready to be pulled off the shelf at the first sign of a new disease.

"We have the technology now. It's feasible from an engineering and biological standpoint," said Dr. Barney Graham, deputy director of the National Institute of Allergy and Infectious Diseases' Vaccine Research Center. Without that step, "we're going to be at risk for new pandemics."

A faster vaccine recipe

Traditionally, making vaccines required first growing lots of virus in a lab. The NIH team is pursuing a newer and far faster method: Simply use a piece of the virus' genetic code, called messenger RNA or mRNA, that instructs cells to make a particular protein.

"We think of RNA as the software of life," said Dr. Tal Zaks, chief medical officer of Moderna Inc., which is developing mRNA vaccines for other diseases and working with NIH on the new coronavirus.

Inject the right piece and "you've taught the body to make its own medicine," he explained. As cells produce just that protein, the immune system learns to recognize it, primed to attack if the entire virus ever comes along.

Pablo Escobar's hit man, known as 'Popeye,' dies of cancer

By CHRISTINE ARMARIO
Associated Press

BOGOTA, Colombia — A former hit man for late drug lord Pablo Escobar who confessed to killing hundreds of people during one of Colombia's most violent periods died Thursday from cancer, prison authorities said.

Jhon Jairo Velásquez, known by his nickname Popeye, died at the National Cancer Institute in Bogota, where he had been hospitalized since late December, according to the National Penitentiary and Prison Institute.

Velásquez admitted to carrying out at least 300 murders himself and said he helped coordinate the deaths of some 3,000 other individuals on behalf of Escobar's Medellin cartel during the 1980s and '90s. He spent 23 years behind bars for plotting the murder of a presidential candidate and was released in 2014 on parole.

"Today it seems like a barbarity," he told newsweekly Semana after leaving jail. "But when you're in the middle of a war, those things seem justified."

He went on to gain notoriety as an author and YouTube celebrity who delivered angry diatribes against leftist rebels and corrupt politicians and at one point expressed a desire to run for a seat in the senate.

In interviews with journalists, he recounted the murders he committed on Escobar's behalf in a cold, matter-of-faction fashion, describing in one television interview how he preferred using a revolver and "worked from the eyebrows up."

"Because I'm a professional assassin," he said.

Even in his meetings with victim relatives, he rarely got emotional, asking for forgiveness in a way that appeared to many to be devoid of much remorse.

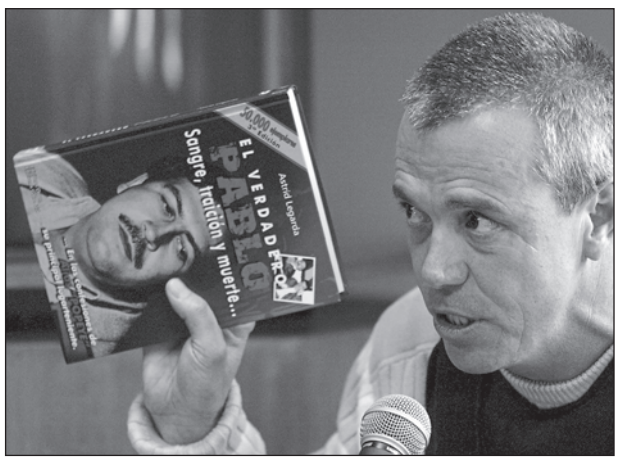
"The truth is better raw," he told the daughter of Diana Turbay, a Colombian journalist and daughter of an ex-president kidnapped by the Medellin cartel who died from a gunshot wound after a botched rescue attempt.

He went on to describe how Turbay had been "a vehicle" to put pressure on the government not to extradite Escobar and other cartel leaders and that the family's pleas for her release fell on deaf ears.

"What reaction did Pablo Escobar have to my grandmother's letters?" a tearful Carolina Hoyos, Turbay's daughter, asked.

"You want me to be sincere?" he asked. "None."

Moments later, he put his hand on his heart and said: "I want to ask you for forgiveness."



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Jhon Jairo Velasquez, a former hit man for Pablo Escobar, known by his nickname "Popeye," gives his testimony while holding a book titled "The True Pablo, Blood, Treason, and Death," during the trial against Alberto Santofimio Botero in Bogota, Colombia on June 27, 2006. According to authorities, Velasquez died of stomach cancer at a hospital in Bogota on Thursday.

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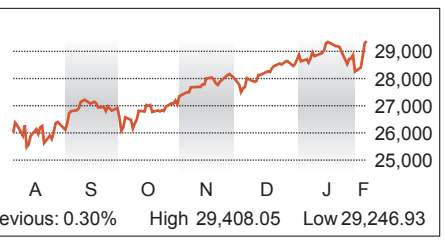

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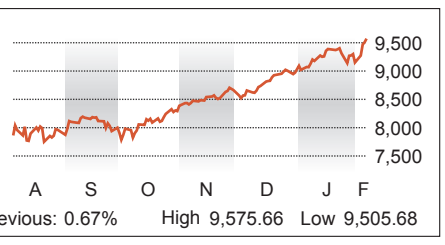

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Whirlpool WHR
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▲ **4-wk.** +1.8% ▲ **YTD** +3.7%

LocalStocks

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AEP	AEP	79.02	104.97	102.25	+.13	+0.1	▼	▲	▲
Apple Inc	AAPL	167.28	327.85	325.21	+3.76	+1.2	▲	▲	▲
AutoZone	AZO	871.33	1274.41	1062.31	-10.94	-1.0	▲	▼	▼
BP PLC	BP	35.07	45.38	36.88	-.79	-2.1	▲	▼	▼
CMS Eng	CMS	51.91	68.98	67.32	-.18	-0.3	▼	▲	▲
CocaCola	KO	44.42	59.45	58.99	+.14	+0.2	▲	▲	▲
Comcast	CMCSA	36.27	47.74	44.60	+.01	...	▲	▼	▼
Deere	DE	132.68	180.48	168.86	+.51	+0.3	▲	▼	▼
Disney	DIS	107.32	153.41	142.70	+1.33	+0.9	▲	▼	▼
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HomeDp	HD	179.52	239.31	238.84	+.73	+0.3	▲	▲	▲
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MillerHer	MLHR	33.80	49.88	41.32	+.26	+0.6	▲	▲	▼
Penney	JCP	0.53	1.92	.73	-.00	-0.4	▼	▼	▼
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UPS B	UPS	92.65	125.31	106.51	+.47	+0.4	▲	▼	▼
VerizonCm	VZ	53.86	62.22	59.44	+.31	+0.5	▬	▲	▼
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Wendys Co	WEN	16.25	22.84	21.90	-.38	-1.7	▲	▲	▼
Whrlpl	WHR	114.00	163.64	153.06	-1.39	-0.9	▲	▲	▲
Worthgtn	WOR	33.18	44.69	39.00	-.13	-0.3	▲	▼	▼
XPO Logis	XPO	45.73	96.20	93.22	+.97	+1.1	▲	▲	▲

PRODUCE PRICES

The following fruit prices were recorded on the Chicago Terminal Market on Wednesday. Prices are not net to the growers as freight and selling fees have not been deducted. These prices were provided by the USDA Market News Branch office in Chicago.

APPLES: Cartons tray pack of Washington Extra Fancy 72s Red Delicious sold from mostly $25-26, Golden Delicious sold higher for $38, Fuji sold from $30-32, Pink Lady brought $38-40, Gala sold for $32-33, and 72 size Honeycrisp sold from $48-50. Cartons of 12 3-pound film bags of Washington WA Extra Fancy 2 1/2-inch minimum Red Delicious sold for $22, while Golden Delicious brought $23, Gala sold for $23-24, while bushel cartons loose of Michigan 3 inch minimum Golden Delicious, Gala and Jonagold brought $20.

ASPARAGUS: Pyramid cartons/crates 11-pound bunched standard size from Peru sold slightly lower from mostly $29-30, while large white bunched brought $28.50-29.50.

BEANS: Bushel cartons/crates of round green type machine-picked offerings from Florida sold lower from $12-13, with hand-picked offerings $14.

BERRIES: Flats of 12 1-pint cups with lids of medium-large berries from Chile sold for $16, while offerings from Peru sold for $16, and fine appearance berries offerings from Mexico brought $30-32. Strawberries in flats of eight 1-pound containers medium size from Florida sold for $16-18, with fine appearance offerings $24-25. Organic offerings from Mexico sold for $18.50, with fine appearance $30.50.

BROCCOLI: Cartons of 14 bunches from California sold lower from $14-16, with organic offerings lower for mostly $25-26.

CABBAGE: 50-pound cartons of round green medium from Texas sold from mostly $13-15, while red offerings sold from $19-21.

CAULIFLOWER: Cartons of 12 film wrapped heads from California sold much lower for $18-19, with organic offerings lower for mostly $31-33.

CORN: Wirebound crates of four dozen bi-color from Florida sold lower from mostly $25-26.

CUCUMBERS: 1-1/9-bushel cartons from Mexico of medium size sold much lower from mostly $25-27, with large $26-28, and carton 24s sold lower from mostly $10-12. Pickles of 200-300 size from Mexico sold lower for mostly $27-28.

EGGPLANT: 1-1/9-bushel cartons of 24-count eggs from Mexico sold steady from mostly $16-18.

LETTUCE: Cartons film wrapped 24 heads of iceberg lettuce from California sold lower from mostly $17-18, while organic offerings brought mostly $33-34.

ORANGES: Cartons of 10 4-pound film bags of Florida 80 size Hamlin juice oranges sold for $23.

PEPPERS: 1-1/9-bushel cartons of Florida green jumbos and extra-large sold steady from $14-16, with large mostly $11-12. Medium size jalapeno peppers from Mexico sold for $21, serranos brought $22, while extra-large poblano sold from $20-22 and medium Hungarian wax sold for mostly $19-20.

SQUASH: 4/7-bushel cartons of small-medium zucchini from Mexico sold much lower for $23 with medium size $21-22, and yellow straightneck small-medium sold much lower for $27. 1 1/9-bushel cartons from Michigan of medium size acorn and butternut sold for $22.

TOMATOES: 25-pound cartons loose mature greens 5x6s from Florida sold lower for mostly $21-23, while offerings from Mexico of 4x5 size were lower for $17. Flats 12 1-pint containers with lids of light red-red medium size grape tomatoes from Florida sold steady from mostly $9-10, with offerings from Mexico sold lower from $12-14. Cartons of 12 1-pint baskets of cherry type red from Florida sold steady from $20-22, while Mexico offerings brought $16-18. Plum tomatoes packed in 25-pound cartons loose of extra-large size from Mexico sold lower from mostly $14-15, with large size $12-14.

Photos by Nathan Lindstrom

This undated image provided by Nuro in February 2020 shows their self-driving vehicle "R2" carrying bags of groceries. On Thursday, the U.S. National Highway Traffic Safety Administration granted temporary approval for Silicon Valley robotics company Nuro to the a low-speed autonomous delivery vehicle, without side and rear-view mirrors and other safety provisions required of vehicles driven by humans.

U.S. lets autonomous vehicle bypass human-driver safety rules

By TOM KRISHER
AP Auto Writer

A man next to their self-driving vehicle "R2."

DETROIT — For the first time, the U.S. government's highway safety agency has approved a company's request to deploy a self-driving vehicle that doesn't need to meet the same federal safety standards for cars and trucks driven by humans.

The National Highway Traffic Safety Administration granted temporary approval for Silicon Valley robotics company Nuro to run low-speed autonomous delivery vehicles that were designed without any accommodations for human drivers.

That means no side and rear-view mirrors, windshield wipers, steering wheels or brake pedals.

The vehicles previously were subject to federal standards for low-speed vehicles that travel under 25 miles per hour.

Those didn't need to have steering wheels, brake pedals or human backup drivers, but were required to have windshield wipers, backup camera displays and mirrors. Nuro's battery-powered vehicles can be monitored and controlled remotely by a human operator, if needed.

The approval is the first sign that NHTSA is moving from abstract statements and voluntary standards governing autonomous vehicles to actual regulation, said Bryant Walker Smith, a University of South Carolina law professor who studies vehicle automation. It's a signal that the agency, which has stated publicly that it doesn't want to stand in the way of the new technology, is likely to approve more vehicles, he said.

"This is the first time that the agency said 'yes we approve this vehicle that does not meet traditional driver-oriented standards,'" he said. "That's a big step because it makes it much more concrete, more real for the agency and really for the public."

Under the temporary approval, Nuro will have to make real-time safety reports to the agency. Nuro also will have to hold regular meetings with the agency and reach out to the community in areas where the vehicles will travel.

"NHTSA is dedicated to facilitating the safe testing and deployment of advanced vehicle technologies, including innovative vehicle designs, which hold great promise for future safety improvements. As always, we will not hesitate to use defect authority to protect public safety as necessary," said NHTSA Acting Administrator James Owens.

The agency will use enforcement powers if it finds any evidence of an unreasonable risk to safety, the statement said.

Self-driving vehicle "R2" on a neighborhood street.

In December Nuro announced plans to use its low-speed delivery vehicles in partnership with Walmart to deliver groceries to customers in Houston.

The service was to start early this year and use the vehicles as well as automated Toyota Prius hybrid cars. Nuro also was testing deliveries with Kroger in Arizona and Houston.

Nuro, of Mountain View, California, announced new version of its autonmated delivery vehicle called the "R2" on Thursday.

It's the second generation of a vehicle that's custom built to deliver goods, but not people.

The company said it plans to deploy fewer than 100 vehicles this year, but has permission from NHTSA to eventually run as many as 2,500.

The delivery vehicles, equipped with laser, camera and radar sensors, will travel with regular traffic on public roads.

The exemption from motor vehicle standards from NHTSA also allows Nuro to run its rear cameras all the time.

Current standards require backup camera displays to turn off when vehicles are moving forward so the displays don't distract human drivers, the company said.

Nuro said in a statement that the R2 has a front-end that protects pedestrians by collapsing inward. It's also equipped with temperature controls to keep perishable goods or meals fresh.

The vehicles make curbside deliveries to humans who can open the storage compartments with a code that's sent to them and unload the goods.

Nuro said NHTSA's approval came after three years of work with the agency.

"By replacing heavy passenger vehicles utilized for shopping and other errands, Nuro is ushering in a new era of neighborhood-friendly and socially responsible zero-occupant vehicles," the company said in its statement.

Company co-founder and President Dave Ferguson said NHTSA's decision "shows that exemption can mean more safety."

Still unresolved is an application from General Motors to allow a self-driving Chevrolet Bolt that doesn't meet safety standards for human-driven vehicles that travel at higher speeds. GM wants the Bolt to be allowed without a steering wheel or brake pedals.

Tech companies and automakers have been able to test autonomous vehicles without NHTSA approval in the past because they have had steering wheels, brake pedals and other features required of human-piloted cars and trucks.

Leading Kentucky hemp processor files for bankruptcy

By BRUCE SCHREINER
Associated Press

FRANKFORT, Ky. — A bankruptcy filing by a leading hemp processor was a "gut punch" to the fledgling industry as it tries to get a foothold in Kentucky, the state's agriculture commissioner said Thursday.

GenCanna Global USA Inc. announced it filed a bankruptcy petition that would allow it to reorganize its debt. The Chapter 11 filing will allow it to continue operating "without interruption to customers, vendors, partners and employees," the company said.

"We are taking this action in order to position our business for success in a highly dynamic and rapidly evolving industry," GenCanna CEO Matty Mangone-Miranda said.

Kentucky Agriculture Commissioner Ryan Quarles said the bankruptcy filing is the latest sign that the national hemp industry is facing "strong headwinds." Kentucky is at the forefront of hemp's comeback and Quarles is an enthusiastic advocate for the crop.

"Today's announcement is a gut punch to Kentucky's hemp industry and to many Kentucky farmers who dared to hope and risk on this crop," he said in a statement.

As GenCanna works through restructuring, a priority is that farmers and contractors get paid, Quarles said.

Quarles has been among hemp advocates urging the federal government to develop a regulatory framework for the processing of hemp and manufacturing of hemp CBD oil.

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2020-0025-DE-M

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TO ALL CREDITORS:

NOTICE TO CREDITORS:

The decedent, Donald G. Toll who lived at 605 W. Front Street, Buchanan, MI 49107, died October 20, 2019.

Creditors of the decedent are notified that all claims against the estate will be forever barred unless presented to Jerry L. Donley and Janice Donley, named co-personal representatives or proposed co-personal representatives, or to both the probate court at 811 Port Street, St. Joseph, MI 49085 and the named/proposed co-personal representatives within four months after the date of this publication of this notice.

Date: February 5, 2020

Name: Jerry L. Donley and Janice Donley

Address: 605 W. Front Street

City/State: Buchanan, MI 49107

Phone: (269) 470-1792

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We will be accepting letters through February 21, 2020. You can mail or drop off the letter to:
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Benton Harbor, MI 49022

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NOTICE OF INTENT TO FILE APPLICATION

Coloma Charter Township intends to file an application for federal financial assistance with the U. S. Department of Agriculture, Rural Development, Rural Utilities Service. The project includes the replacement of six existing wastewater lift stations and rehabilitation of the existing wastewater collection system. Any comments regarding this application should be submitted to Coloma Charter Township.

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South Haven, MI. South Haven Area Emergency Services is accepting applications for the purpose of creating a hiring list for Full-time Firefighter /Paramedic. The hiring list may be valid for up to one year. Applications will be accepted until Friday March 6th at 5pm in the office of the Executive Director. Eligible Applicants must be Michigan Certified Firefighter II and State of Michigan Licensed EMT-Paramedic by June 1, 2020. Applicants will be required to pass a written and practical exam. Job description and application are available at WWW.SHAES.ORG. Applications may be picked up at SHAES

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BY EUGENIA LAST

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 7

Do all the things you love to do. Travel will entice you, and your thirst for knowledge will draw you into situations that will help you figure out what you want to do next. If you expand your friendships to include people who offer something unique, you'll enrich your life.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 19) Keep a low profile, do a good job and don't make any rash decisions or changes. Accomplishing what you set out to do and living up to your expectations should occupy your time.

PISCES (Feb. 20-March 20) You may crave adventure, but caution should not be cast aside. If you think before you act, you will have the best of everything at your fingertips. Romance is on the rise.

ARIES (March 21-April 19) Moderation and simplicity are required. Emotions will flare up quickly, leaving you in an awkward position. Keep busy, focus on fitness and health, and avoid getting into a debate.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20) Make interesting plans that will promote fun, romance and adventure. How you display who you are and what you have to offer will determine whom you attract and what transpires.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20) Double-check information. Deception or false data is likely if you are too accepting. Question whatever seems sketchy. It's up to you to protect your interests and reputation.

CANCER (June 21-July 22) Dig in and get your responsibilities done on time. Make plans that will please a loved one. Romance is in the stars and will encourage a better relationship.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22) Take better care of your physical and emotional well-being. Don't change what's working fine; instead, focus on adjusting what is no longer to your benefit. Protect your interests.

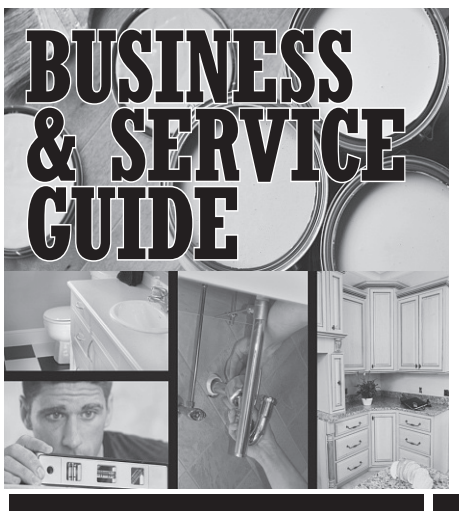
VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) You will enhance your reputation if you are willing to go the extra mile at work and home. What you do for others will make a lasting impression and leave you feeling good.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23) Emotions will surface if you try to tackle sensitive issues. A misunderstanding will leave you in a vulnerable position. Keep your life simple and practice moderation and precision.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 22) Trust what you see and hear firsthand. Express your thoughts and opinions carefully. Offer love, romance and kindness to individuals who share your life, space and point of view.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 23-Dec. 21) Joint ventures will fall short of your expectations. Pour your energy into something constructive that will benefit you personally, physically or financially. Avoid anger and physical confrontations.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) If you share with a loved one, you will be able to make plans and map out a sound strategy. A creative venue will prove entertaining and enlightening.



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